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Iraqi nuclear reactor bombed in raid by Israeli jets

From Christopher Walker, Jerusalem, June 8

Israeli jets yesterday bombed heing built, about 15 miles east

The Israelis claimed that the fract tyraens changed mar the fract plant, was being secretly used to manufacture. "Hiroshima-sized" atomic bombs, which could then have been used to wipe out the main cities in Israel

in Israel.

An official justification of the attack was issued this afternoon under orders from Mr Menachem Begin, the Prime Minister. Under no circum-stances will we allow our enemy to develop weapons of mass destruction against our people ",

it said.
"We shall defend the citizens we shall detend the chizens of Israel in good time, and with all the means at our disposal." The statement twice referred to President Saddam Husain of

Iraq as a "tyrant".

IA French technician was killed during the raid, Agence France-Presse quoted a reliable source as saying in Paris to-

In a radio interview tonight, M. Begin said the decision to homb the nuclear reactor had heen taken several months ago, hur had been postponed several

The Prime Minister claimed that three, four or five bombs of the type which could soon be manufactured by the Iraqis could have liquidated the state of Israel. President Husain, he said, was a man who would have no qualms about launching

Mr Begin said that the ques-tion of the Iraqi nuclear reacor had been a personal burden

for nearly two years. He said that the American Government had only been in-formed after the raid had been completed and that he had written a personal letter to President Reagan. He denied that anything had been said about it during the summit meeting he held in the southern Sinal last Thursday with Pre-

The raid—which some Israelis were comparing in kind The raid-which to the famous Entebbe opera-tion—took place about 540 miles from the nearest Israeli air measures to defend Israel's

The United States today con-

the unprecedented Israeli air

lished by the State Department,

the Administration said that the

attack would seriously add to

the already tense situation in the Middle East. The probable use of American-built aircraft

in the raid was a possible viol-

ation by the Israelis of United States laws under which the equipment was sold.

governing overseas sales of mili-

tary equipment the Administra-

tion was drawing up a report on all the details of the raid to

see whether any punitive action

against Tel Aviv was required,

A State Department spokes-man said that it had first been

informed about the attack by

the United States Embassy in Tel Aviv late yesterday Ameri-

can time. The Administration had since been in touch with a

number of governments in the

area to discuss the raid.

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the statement added.

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Leading article; Although it was launched yes terday, it remained a close secret on all sides until the Israeli Government issued its lengthy justification this after-

The Franch connexion:

noon during a Jewish religious holiday.

Military experts noted that the attack contained the element of surprise because inter-national attention was centred on the missile crisis in Lebanon and the continuing American. diplomatic efforts to prevent it leading to war between Israel

The raid is considered cer-tain to further complicate the task now facing Mr Philip Habib, the American special envoy, and may account for the unexplained extension of his stav in Paris vesterday. It is also certain to strain relations between Israel and the United States as American-built jets

States as American-built jets were used in the raid.

The French—and the Italians who were also involved with the construction—are unlikely to be impressed by Israel's claim today that the raid had been deliberately mounted on the Christian sabbath to minimize any risk to the foreign technicians.

The bombing will add to strain between Israel and Jor-dan. King Husain has put him-self forward as an ally of Iraq in its war against Iran.

Coming less than four weeks before the Israeli general election, the elimination of the reactor was seen as a further boost for the campaign being mounted by Mr Begin's ruling

right-wing coalition.

It fitted the image being cultivated by the Prime Minister of the man who brought peace through the Camp David treaty, but who is also pro-pared to persevere with tough

US strongly condemns attack

From David Cross, Washington, June 8

Jerusalem_

JORDAN

ments and had agreed to adopt certain nuclear safeguards.

Paris: M Pierre Mauroy, the

strongly condemned the Israeli raid as an unacceptable act

(Charles Hargrove writes). It

could only increase tension in the area and complicate a situa-

tion which was already explo-

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rench Prime Minister, in a dio broadcast this evening,

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apprehension unong Israelis about the long-term threat posed by an iraqi nuclear device which could possibly find its way into the hands of the Palestinians.

Opposition leaders said tonight that the raid could have been held off until after polling day.

Only Mr Shimon Peres, leader of the opposition Labour Party, was informed in advance about yesterday's attack—a tactic which has infuriated, Labour members of the Knesset's foreign affairs and security

committee.
The Israeli statement issued today claimed that the Government felt it was "duty bound to explain to enlightened public opinion" why the bombing had been ordered.

"For a long time we have been watching with growing

been watching with growing concern the construction of the atomic reactor. Osirak. From sources whose reliability is beyond doubt, we learnt that this reactor—despite its camounlage—is designed to produce atomic bombs.

The turget for such hombs apply the Israel This was duly

would be Israel, This was duly announced by the ruler of lraq after the Iranians had inflicted slight damage on the reactor [last September]."

Again quoting unnamed "reliable sources", the Israelis alleged the reactor would have become operational by Septem-

ber at the latest.
It attacked the Governments of France and Italy without naming them specifically for what was alleged to be cooperation in the construction of atomic weapons in exchange for oil. "We call upon them to desist from this horrifying and inhumane deed."

Egypt ratifies French nuclear power deal

Cairo: Egypt's Parliament resterday ratified an agreement under which France will deliver two nuclear power plants to Egypt (Agence, France-Presse

reports).
Each plant will generate 1.000 megawatts of electricity.
The agreement covers peaceful hase, with the jets probably flying in over Jordanian air space. There has been growing signed in Paris last March,

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her undertaking to deliver en-riched uranium to Iraq for use in the experimental reactor. Beirut: The Arab League is

Beirut: The Arab League is to meet in the next three days at Iraq's request to discuss the attack (Robert Fisk writes). Mr Chadli Kleibi, the league secretary general, said the conference would be held in Baghdad to confront what he called the

arrogant challenge of Israel's

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KUWAIT

and Polish Government negotiators have "come to terms" on averting a warning strike called by the independent usion in four provinces for Thursday, a member of the Solidarity dele-gation said tonight.

He said Mr Lech Waless, the Solidarity leader, had secretly taken part in talks with a classification of the said of the Solidarity Rakowski, the Deputy Prime Minister, after his return from- Geneva.

June 8.—Solidarity

"We have come to terms. A the delegate said. He did not give details of the agreement, but indicated that Mr. Jan Rulewski, the militant leader of Solidarity's Bydgoszcz branch, who was one of three unionists beaten by police in March, had been outmanoeuv red in his insistence on imme-diate punishment for those responsible for the beatings.

As preparations continue for tomorrow's crucial meeting of the Polish Communist Party's Central Committee, the authorities are debating whether to publish the Soviet letter (Richard Dairy and Dessa Tre-visan wrdite from Warsaw)

sobering effect on militants.

Meanwhile, more details of the letter's contents are filtering out. The letter is now seen bere as a final warning. Its main message is that Poland needs firm leadership. It does not specifically demand new leaders but it insists on a change of course.

A change that Poland's inde-

Daily chore: Poles queueing patiently outside a food shop.

Accord to avert strike in Poland

after Walesa intervention

pendence and the achievements of socialism are in mortal danger, and that the imperialists are reaching for power and tryingh to cance the status quo and the Soviet people will not in Europe. Thus the Polish abandon Poland in its time of

Surprisingly, the letter does Poles of their dep-not attack Solidarity as such the Soviet Union but only its extremist wing. It materials and fuel. is, however, sweeping in its con-demnation of the mass media which it describes as increasingly out of party control and subject to anti-socialist and

counter-revolutionary forces: The letter also complains that -many of the delegates now being elected for next month's party congress are revisionists and opportunists and subject to outside manipulation while outside manipulation while frue Communists", with experience and correct ideas, are being eliminated.

Although it does not ask for the party congress to be called off it apparently suggests that the congress could mark the final stage of imperialist plans subvert communism in

Ir complains bitterly about what it describes as an anti-Soviet compaign in the press with accusations that the soviet Union is exploiting Polani

There is no direct threat of party is responsible not only for trouble, and that Poland can Poland but also for the entire count on their support.

The letter also reminds the Poles of their dependence on the Soviet Union for raw

On a slightly more optimistic note, the letter says that there is still a chance to save the must put un firm resistance

and change its course. There are reports in Warsaw that some of the hard-line mem-bers of the party leadership are now pressing for drastic action to curb the press and, in particular, to stop all attacks

on the Politburo, the

devaluation. Unless the value

of sterling goes down, the June figures are likely to be worse for the Government, since the North Sea oil price is not due

On past performance, indus-try raises the price which it charges for its goods about

charges for its goods about three months after it has to

pay more for its raw materials. This points to sharp rises in

factory gate prices over the

The price rises are likely to

be less severe in the food.

drink and tobacco sectors than elsewhere, because food raw

material costs are rising more slowly than other prices.

The inflationary push from

the fall in the pound comes at

a particularly bad moment for the Government. Prices had already been pushed up by in-creases in indirect taxes in the

to be cut until July.

Army standby for ambulance strike

By Donald Macintyre, Labour Reporter

to stand by to provide emergency cover after a threatened 24-hour unofficial walkout by members of the London ambu-lance service on Monday.

Union leaders vesterday agreed to call an official one-day stoppage by Britain's 17,000 ambulancemen on June 17, but will instruct their members to provide normal emergency A meeting of senior shop

stewards representing London's 2,300 ambulancemen, however, roted to recommend an all-out 24-hour strike, including a ban on emergency calls from 7 am on Monday. Senior union officials were

waiting to see what the response in London would be to the recommendation. Members of the four unions involved will the four unions involved receive today circulars explaining the decision to ban all work except emergencies on Wednes-

Mr Robert Jones, national officer of the National Union of Public Employees, said that the final decision would rest with the London membership. "We have said that is not the road we think we should go down, though the decision by the London stewards shows the strength of feeling. We would hope that our members in London stewards shows the strength of feeling. don will have regard to the in-formation we will be giving them", he said.

Mr Terence Pettifer, a mem-

ber of the London ambulance service conveners' committee, thought there, would be a "strong response" to the call Monday, "We are telling our people to ignore the call for a strike on Wednesday."

The Department of Health

Troops are likely to be asked and Social Security refused to be drawn on any contingency plans for an all-out stoppage in London. Military ambulance cover was provided during two similar one-day stoppages during the public service pay disputes in the winter of 1979.



The ambulancemen's leaders have rejected a pay offer of 6 per cent for this year, or one of 7.5 per cent over 15 months,

The 40-hour-week rate for a qualified ambulanceman is 575.50 and though average earnings nationally are close to £130 the unions say that includes overtime of over 30 hours a proof-

week.

The official one-day strike on Wednesday, which the unions warned vesterday would be repeated if the pay offer was not improved, is not expected to affect maternity admissions or patients requiring vital radio-therapy and renal dialysis. Other industrial news, page 2

Labour plan for new list of Honours

By George Clark. Political Correspondent

As a natural sequel to the Labour Party's conference pledge that the next Labour Government will abolish the House of Lords, the home policy committee of the party last night endorsed a new proposal for a system which would replace the present New Year replace the present New Year and Birthday Honours lists. "If we are to continue with honours, they should only be in recognition of outstanding acts or records of service, and with-

out any distinction on the basis of class or rank," the proposed policy document states.

It is suggested, therefore,

hat we retain a limited number of awards for gallantry on that basis, or institute a new award, together with some form of order to merit to recognize other acts of service to the

community."

No titles would go with awards made by the new Labour Government; there would be no peerages or knighthoods .

Mr Eric Helfer MP for Liverpool Walton, who presided at last night's meeting of the home policy committee, ex-plained: "We should not mind tion to curb the press and, particular, to stop all attacks the Politburo, the police and security forces.

Intellectual backing, page 6

General is charged over fund A major-general has been

ing military funds, the Ministry of Defence revealed yesterday.

of Defence revealed resterday.
Investigations are continuous.
Major-General Dalzell-Payne,
aged 51. was charged
last November shortly after he
formally relinquished command
of the 3rd Armoured Division
of the Rhine Army.

Last week the Ministry of
Defence annumbed the inves-

Defence annumeed the inves-tigation involving the major-general by members of the Army's Special Investigation Branch but did not mention a charge had been preferred.
A spokesman said it was not normal publicly to announce been given had anyone asked It is very rare for an officer of such senior rank to be charged. Major-General Dalzell-Payne, who was due to become Vice Chief of the General Staff last autumn, has been charged under Section 69 of the Army Act which covers "conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline". It is alleged that he failed to keep

proper account of expenditure in a service fund. The charge is understood to relate to his period of service

in West Germany.

The Ministry of Defence said that it was not yet clear whether the case would be

Some officials feel it might provoke anti-Soviet: feeling; Labour seeks Ulster

flexibility don condemned the raid last night (our Diplomatic Corres-pondent writes). We do not as yet have confirmation of the By Our Political Staff Preempting the report which is expected from a Labour Party working group on Northern Ire land, the home policy committee of the party last night passed a resolution urging the Government to be more "flexible in its approach, in line with the details, but this appears to have been an unprovoked attack. We can only condemn such Serve which could have the most seri-ous consequences, as statement

report of the European,
Rights Commission".

Mr Bric Heffer, MP for Liverpool, Walton, who deputized in
the chair for Mr Wedgwood

"and afterwards: "It Benn, said afterwards: "It means that we believe there should be further discussion. It means trying to solve the problems instead of standing pat and saying on every occasion that we will not discuss anything concerning the IRA-

He said that the European commission had suggested that there should be moves to "humanize" their situation Sooner or later, Mr Heffer said, the party mist come forward with a policy for Northern Ireland that would bring a conclusion to the violence:

While urging a more flexible approach, the resolution also aid that the party was concerned about the continuing wholence and out of tables to the granting of political status |A young man of 18 was shot five times in a brutal IRA punishment shooting in Belfast resterday. He had been attacked three hooded men in the

Victoria Hospital and underwent emergency surgery for his serious wounds. He had been shor twice in the left kneed once in the right kneed once in the left elbow and once

the youth had been involved in May, the average value of the the stealing and destruction of pound was \$2.09 compared with cars in the Andersonstown area. \$2.18 in April. Haughey campaign, back page This drop was very small

Setback to Thatcher inflation hopes

By David Blake, Economics Editor

The Government's hopes of single-figure inflation received a sharp blow yesterday.

Latest official figures show

materials went up sharply again in May, rising by 24 per cent to stand 123 per cent higher than a year before. Over the going up at an annual rate of 231 per cent. Much worse is to come this month as the impact of the latest fall in the

The figures, published by the that the underlying pace of increase to its customers.

Factory gate prices went up

by 0.6 per cent in May, which left them 10 per cent higher that they had been a year

North Sea oil. Oil was the main reason for

Because prices are quoted in dollars, the sterling cost of oil goes up every time the value of the pound goes down. In

Spring buying spree tapering off

The latest figures from the Department of Trade show that April in the High Streets was considerably less buoyant than original reports suggested. The retail sales have been revised downwards by 1 per cent to an index level of 111.4, almost identical with March.

April seems to have been a bad month for food and house hold goods shops, but there were strong gains by the mixed retail sector. But although new figures suggest that the buying spree which marked the January sales this year is now tapering off, there was an increase in credit sales in April. Total new credit extended was £650m, up from an average level of around: £620m in earlier months of the year.

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The Prime Minister added that the experimental reactor Washington hoped the I.ebanese peace mission of Mr Philip Habib, President Resean's special envoy to the Middle East, would continue was delivered by France for a research centre controlled by the International Atomic the International Atomic Energy Authority in Vienna. Asked whether the raid might cause a postponement of Responding to Israeli claims that the reactor was to be used to make atom bombs, the spokesman pointed our that Iraq President Mitterrand's planned. visit to Israel, M Mauroy replied that things had not got that far. He refused to state was a party to international nuclear non-proliferation agreewhether France would carry out said.

Jenkins on why he will stand Mr Roy Jenkins said his decision to fight the

Catastrophe cover ban

The noterious "tonner" policies, which enabled underwriters to reduce their insurance exposure by gambling on catastrophes, including the

number of lives lost in aircraft crashes, has been outlawed by Lloyd's of London Page 17 outlawed by Lloyd's of London

which in the party interest it was right to take. It would not be an easy seat. He will fight a national as well as local campaign Page 2

England retain Botham England lost the final one-day international to Australia by 71 runs at Headingley, losing the Prudential Trophy 2-1. But Ian Botham retains the England captainty for the First

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Avatollah Khomeini has threatened to oust President Bani-Sadr of Iran if he continues to clash with Muslim fundamentalists. Tear gas was Warrington by election for the SDP was a risk used against the President's supporters in Tehran Page 7 **Duke in Poussin dispute**

dismiss Bani-Sadr

The Duke of Devenshire threatened to take legal sction against Wildenstein, the art dealers, over their failure to pay him £1.65m for a painting by Nicolas Poussin. The duke says he is losing about £4,000 a week in investment income needed to run Chatsworth.

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Khomeini threatens to

£50.6m loss for ICL

ICL, Britaio's main computer company, reported a net loss of £50.6m in its last half-year. Last week the company, which is being propped up with government cash guarantees, announced 5,200 redundancies. The group's net loss for the year is likely to be at least £90m.

> a four-day state visit to ordain today. A four-page Special Report considers the place of his country in the world, and its long-standing relationship with Britain Business News pages 17-22 Stockmarkets: Leading equities Stockmarkets: Leading equities drifted during the day to close on a first note. Gitts recovered some of earlier losses. The FT Index closed 1.6 up at 547.9 advertising: Classifed

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in the back.

The Belfast brigade of the IRA later said it had carried

out the attack. A statement said

Andersonstown area of the city (writes Richard Ford from Beliast). He was taken to the Royal

compared with that which has already happened in June, which amounts to a 7 per cent

that the price of industry's raw past six months costs have been

value of the pound makes itself Department of Industry, show inflation in raw material costs has been rising sharply since last September. They also demonstrate that industry has not yet fully passed on this

before. This is a slight drop in the annual rate of increase. But the underlying trend now seems to be upward. The annual rate of increase over the past six months has been 12.8 per cent. Increases in raw material costs usually feed through to the High Street within nine months, so prospects for inflation falling below 10 per cent in 1981 or throughout most of 1982 are now slim. The only hopeful sign is the planned \$2-a-barrel cut in the price of

Three-quarters of the total increase in raw material and fuel costs is accounted for by the rise in the sterling price of

Soames takes a tough line as benefits staff strike

issued a warning that it may do damage to individuals. to withdraw its 7 per cent pay offer to civil servants. The latest indication of its tough line in the lengthy dispute came as the unions pulled out on strike computer staff responsible for paying unemployment

Thousands of civil servants staged walkouts, rallies and demonstrations in many parts of the country. About 8,000 demonstrated in London. The Department of Employment reported that staff in more than a third of the henefit offices in Scotland were boycotting emergency procedures for paying

Lord Soames, Lord President and minister responsible for the Civil Service, answering ques-tions in the Lords, said the Government would be consider-ing whether to withdraw the "when considering what action the unions take now It is understood that Lord Soames is to meet Mrs Margaret Thatcher and other senior

Cabinet colleagues today, when strike. The measures against the unions information will be discussed. ord Soames told the Lords that the Government "de-plores" the unions' decision to extend their disruptive action into the social security and un-

employment fields.

"It (the Government) will of course do all within its power to minimize the damage and hardship which is caused to individuals and the country. To dispute.

The 215 staff who walked out at the Department of Employment computer centres at Livingston, near Edinburgh, and Reading and at the child benefits computer at Washing.

Representatives of 500,000

white collar local authority workers were warned yesterday to be prepared to take indus-

trial action over a 13.2 per cent wage claim which will be dis-

cussed at negotiations next

and Local Government Officers Association (Nalgo) are expect-

ing the employers to reply with an offer of about six per cent, particularly after statements by Mr Michael Heseltine, Secre-tary of State for the Environ-

ment, on the need to cut local

Union leaders are drawing up plans for a campaign of guerrilla industrial action which are expected to be

similar to action the union took 18 months ago during an arbi-tration dispute, when rate demands were halted and other

council operations disrupted.
The town hall staff, whose claim is for seven per cent and

a E7 a week flat rate increase, are bound by the overall six

yesterday took a hesitant step

towards joining the unilateral

Delegates to the policy-making conference of the General and Municipal Workers

Union in Brighton voted to call

on the next Labour government to reverse the decision to site cruise missiles in Britain and

to cancel the contract for the

But they also endorsed by a smaller majority than expected, an executive council document facing both ways on defence.

Tacing both ways on defence.

That dismissed the British nuclear weapon as "a rather insignificant part of the total Nato deterrent", yet argued:

"On the other hand, there is at present little obvious strategic or political benefit in the UK unilaterally giving up our existing nuclear caoability.

our existing nuclear capability,

It is unlikely to affect the situa-

tion between the super-powers."

In a sometimes emotional

debate, unilateralist speakers, particularly women delegates, were warmly applauded but on a free vote the executive's

ambiguous policy package was adopted by 219 to 173.

Delegates overwhelmingly approved a composite resolu-

tion tabled by the London, Mid-lands and Liverpool areas,

which deplored the Govern-

ment's "drive to nuclear annihilation" and its continued

expenditure.

marine system.

letermination to increase arms

They expressed total opposi-

tion to the siting of American cruise missiles in Britain and the purchase of the Trident sub-

new Trident system.

nuclear disarmament camp.

GMWU takes ambiguous

stand on nuclear arms

largest union

council spending.

Service.

He reiterated the Government's belief that the 7 per cent offer was reasonable and that it was not prepared to agree to arbitration being available for next year's

Ministers have emphasized that the offer of an independent inquiry into future pay bar-gaining arrangements in the Civil Service is still on the table. The Government is expected to announce such an inquiry this week.

Leaders of the nine unions coordinating the pay campaign, now in its fourteenth week, are to meet this morning to assess the growing tide of militancy and calls for a national all-out strike from June 22.

The executive of the Civil Service Union, which repre-sents about 45,000 lower grade staff such as cleaners and door-keepers, also meets today and is expected to throw its weight behind the calls for a national

The unions are maintaining Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service, Several of their leaders would support an intervention by Acas as a possible means of settling the dispute.

Action call to town hall staffs

By Our Labour Reporter

I sincerely hope that you will be rolling up your sleeves and

getting your members to see how they can help if we get into difficult straits.

Town hall staff are the last big group due to settle in the

current pay round. Mr Blick yesterday emphasized the union's determination not to

have increases won over the last 12 months eroded in this year's settlement. The group received

a 13 per cent increase last July and a further 2 per cent from arbitration, which was paid in

of July 31 for a satisfactory settlement, or they will reconvene to decide what action to take.

organize a broad-based Labour

movement campaign to oppose

the siting of cruise missiles in Britain and any Polaris replace-

tish regional secretary of the union, insisted from the plat-

form that the unilateral aban-domnent of its nuclear deter-

rent would exclude Britain from

the inner councils of those who might make a collective deci-

sion on disarmament and world

peace.
"If such multilateral talks

succeed, they may include as a

first step the abandonment of

nuclear weapons by the second-

ranking powers such as Britain.

But in the meantime we must

maintain our existing nuclear

capacity in order to provide

that basis for world disarma-

If Britain did no more than

maintain existing weaponry and did not extend that technology.

its nuclear capability would become obsolescent and it would not be a nuclear power, Mr Morrell said.

The union's internal dilemma was exposed by his frank admis-

sion that more than a tenth of its membership was employed in industries related to defence spending. "For that reason we have not been in favour of

freezing or cutting defence spending as have some other unions", he added.

poses a freeze on defence spending, and argues that

The union's policy paper pro-

ment discussions."

But My James Morrell Scot-

The conference set a deadline

Naigo delegates representing of jobs.

per cent cash limit set by the 120,000 white collar staff in

per cent cash limit set by the Government for pay increases in the public services.

Mr Michael Blick, chairman of Nalgo's national local government committee, told union delegates in Blackpool yesterday: "After next week's talks I sincerely hope that you will Union members in the elec-

the total of civil servants taking action to more than

1,400. Union leaders have instructed members working in unem-ployment benefit offices to abide by emergency procedures and write out Giro unemployment cheques by hand but their advice was being ignored in 29 offices, 28 of which were in

Scotland.

Thirty-four offices were affected by some kind of disruption and 11 of those were closed to the public. Militants in the largest union, the Civil and Public Services Association, had been urging non-cooperation with the emergency procedures. Staff who obeyed that line were vesterday threatthat line were yesterday threat-ened with suspension by department managers.

There are about 1,000 bene fit offices in the country. The 80 in Scotland are responsible for making payments to 270,000

Union leaders last night sent new instructions to staff to abide by the emergency pro-cedures. It is understood that the department will not suspend staff until tomorrow at the earliest, in the hope that the instruction will be obeyed.

About 4,000 civil servants walked out at the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Centre at Swansea yesterday in protest at 8,000 items of mail being delivered on Sunday night when an engineers' picket line was not being manned.

Parliamentary report, page 4 Letters, page 13

Union members in the elec-

tricity supply industry have taken increases of between 9

and 10.8 per cent and about 30,000 white collar staff in the water industry have accepted a

About 60,000 white collar gas workers have accepted a 10.5 per cent offer, but did not withdraw their threat to take industrial action if the Government.

ment goes ahead with plans to sell off high street gas show-

The Government is expected to announce its plans this week.

but the union fears that if

showrooms are sold to private

enterprise, British Gas will start

a rationalization programme which would threaten thousands

10.9 per cent deal.



Point of order: Mr Healey addressing a meeting in Brighton yesterday. Turmoil in Labour Party

Challenge on dropping of MP

By George Clark, Political Correspondent

general election in his constitu-ency were reported last night to the organization committee of the Labour Party. They are to be investigated by the party's sational agent, Mr David

Mr Sever was rejected at a reselection conference last week by 18 votes to 15. In his place as candidate the local party chose Mr Albert Bore, a leftchose Mr Albert bore, a ten-winger, who is a lecturer in nuclear physics. He had strong links with local trade union organizations, having been the Birmingham district Labour Porty's liaison officer with the

Last night the organization committee, meeting at the House of Commons under the chairmanship of Mr Eric Heffer, MP for Liverpool, Walton, heard that complaints had been received from a local branch of the Association of Scientific. of the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs and the local Socialist Medical Association who

Objections to the procedure claimed that they had not used when Mr John Sever, MP received nomination forms for Birmingham, Ladywood, was Mr Heffer said that the dropped as the prospective national agent would make innational agent would make in-quiries locally to see if the pro-cedures had been completed

and would report to the national executive on June 24.
Without prejudging the issue, he said that if the process had not been conducted correcting to not been conducted according to the rules, the executive could order a new reselection confer-ence to be held by the local

Mr Sever, a moderate Labour MP opposed to the leftward drift of the party, has indicated that if the local party decision is upheld he will contest the next election as an independent ent Labour candidate or be will offer bimself for nomination as an official Labour candidate in one of the new constituen-cies to be formed in the Greater Birmingham area.

Labour " moderates " at Westminster yesterday were express-ing their support for his stand-They were also shocked by the decision of the Liverpool, West Derby, party to drop Mr Eric Ogden after years of service to the constituency.

After his rejection by margin of one vote on Satur-day, he made clear that he will unadopted elsewhere.

There is a redistribution in Liverpool, and he could my for adoption in the new redrawn Toxteth division.

Mr Denis Healey, deputy leader of the party, is lining up with Mr James Callaghan and Sir Harold Wilson in resisting the correlecting pressure from the extreme left of the party to force MPs at Westminster to be accountable to their local parties and to the party con-ference for their Westminster activities.

While . " moderate " Labou MPs who are under threat of being dropped look around for possible alternative seats for adoption, the organization committee last night appeared to be putting a "stopper" on MPs who might hope to benefit from constituency boundary

It could affect Mr Ogden's chances at Toxteth, where Mr Richard Crawshaw, the present MP, has joined the Social

Healey takes on the militants

From Paul Routledge, Labour Editor, Brighton

clashed with militant Mersey-side trade unionists yesterday over the ditching of Mr Eric Ogden, MP for Liverpool, West Derby, by his constituency party management committee.

At a fringe meeting called by political supporters in the in-

creasingly teuse party leader-ship battle. Liverpool activists besieged him with strongly worded and critical questions on his attitude to internal party But Mr Healey stuck to his stand in the face of hostility from some delegates to the policy-making conference of the General and Municipal Workers

Union who turned up to under-mine his campaign. He pre-dicted that Mr Ogden, and others like him, would success-fully fight back against the left push in the constituencies.

Mr Healey told about fifty delegates who came to the fringe meeting in a seafront botel: "I am delighted that Mr Ogden has decided to ctand and Mr Ogden's decision to seek

Labour Party nomination for the redrawn constituency that will take in his present seat, and a similar struggle by Mr John Sever, MP for Birming-

Mr Denis Healey, deputy do everything to see that they One speaker complained it eader of the Labour Party, win their battle, because their was unfair to categorize the win their battle, because their battle is our battle at this time", he said.

Mr Healey repeated his ment committee meeting. Mr charge that there were small groups working within the Labour Party who reject parliamentary democracy. "What mentary democracy. "What mentary democracy. "What into zombies, into robots, who university."

One speaker complained it was unfair to categorize the successful candidate at the West Derby general management committee meeting. Mr Robert Wareing, as an out-of-touch intellectual. He was a local man who worked for the municipality before going to might school and then on to university.

are programmed to ignore the views of the men and women who elect them."

They had been able to claim should be the should be th into zombies, into robots, who

two parliamentary victims in recent weeks, including Mr Ogden a former miner who had served his constituency well for 17 years, only to be shouldered a polysechnic lecturer who said he would not say he was wholly a Marxist". In Birmingham, Mr Sever had been replaced by his local party by lecturer in nuclear physics.

The most fundamental issue was the attempt to replace the natural, traditional backbone of the party, the industrial working class of Britain, with white collar intellectuals and professionals "with clean bands" ands "

He added: "We shall not have any chance of winning the next election if we allow that

them."

Mr Benn, the left's candidate for the Labour Parry's deputy leadership, has cancelled his fringe meeting? at the GMWU conference, and further appearances due at the Yorkshire miners' gala and the steelworkers conference. He is not expected to resume his tour of the summer trade

union gatherings until the end of this month and his supporters fear that that will rob his cam-paign of some of the momentum it had gained early in the season. ☐ Mr Benn is to stay in hospital until beyond tomorrow, while doctors await the results of further rests, it was dis-closed yesterday (the Press Association reports).

That means he will miss a meeting of the Shadow Cabinet due to be held tomorrow, when charges of disloyalty to other shadow ministers were

intrusion

date."

He claimed that the proceed ing of the RACS political committee on June 5 was a classic example of decisions being influenced by extreme political groups "who on their own could not got elected to a parish coun-cil. let alone Parliament ". He said it was time the sham which allowed non-members of the Labour Party to have a voice in selection procedure and policy-making was ended.
"At this year's party conference trade unions and affiliated organizations like the RACS will be casting block votes on the basis of decisions reached by the influence of Commu-uists and other extreme left-

Cabinet told of Nott options on Navy cuts

By George Clark Political Correspondent Plans for scaling down Britain's defence programme which have led to internal disputes in the Ministry of Defence and to the resignation of Mr Keith Speed, MP for Ash-ford, as Under-Secretary of State for the Royal Navy. discussed for nearly two hours by the Cabinet Oversea and De-fence Committee yesterday, fence Committee yesterday, with Mrs Margaret Thatcher presiding.

A paper setting out the pri-orities and the options for ex-penditure cuts was presented by Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Defence, the effect of his recommended changes being a diminution in the role of the Royal Navy. MPs loggying for information

last night were under the im-pression that while the commitpression that while the commit-ment to the Trident nuclear deterrent, as the successor to Polaris, remains sacrosanct, there is a possibility that over the next 10 years there could be a rephasing of the planned expenditure. That would mean that the impact on the conven-tional naval replacement pro-gramme would not be as great as expected.

Ministers with an interest in obtaining a larger slice of pub-lic money for industrial investment were present, and the discussion could not have been entirely divorced from con-sideration of the general level

of public spending, which Mrs Thatcher wants to bring down. Mr Nott outlined the choices for cuts in the budgets of all three Services, affecting Britain's contribution to the Nato forces in Western Europe. No final decisions were taken. Those will come before a full meeting of the Cabinet on June 17, and the intention is to publish full details in a defence statement in July.

In addition to the Prime Minister and Mr Nott, those present were: Mr. William Whitelaw, Home Secretary; Lord Carrington, Foreign Secretary; Mr Francis Pym, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Leader of the House of Commons; Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, the Lord Chancellor; Sir Geoffrey Rowe, Chancellor of Exchequer: Lord So Exchequer: Lord Soames, Leader of the Rouse of Lords; Sir Ian Gilmour, Lord Privy Seal; Mr John Biffen, Secre-

tary of State for Trade; Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry; Mr Leon Brittan, Chief Secretary to the Trea-Admiral of the Fleet, Sir Terence Lewin. Chief of the Defence Staff, representing the chiefs of staff of all three Services, joined in the discus-

Slaughter of sacred cows, page 3

Science report Why small toads affect a

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deep croak By the Staff of Nature Male toads have found a clever way of deceiving the females they are courting about their size. The female prefers to mate with big males and, because she normaily chooses her permer in the dark, she judges his size by the depth of voice; the larger the toad the deeper the croak.

The potential for decep-tion arises because body temperature also affects the pitch of the croak; a cold toad can give a deeper crosk. An American researcher has now shown that tooks seek our the coldest part of the pond to make their croaks deeper. A female who thinks she is mating with a large, warm toad may have been deceived by a small old one. Dr L. Fairchild carried out

the research on Fowlers toads (Bufo woodhousei fowleri) at Duke University, North Carolina. In the ponds where the toads mate, large numbers of males sit and croak and await the appear-ance of females from the surrounding fields and woods. The number of females in the pond is always smaller than the number of males, so they have a considerable choice of mate.

To show that the croak and its pitch affects the choice, Dr Fairchild took some female toads into the labora-

He placed them in a T shaped maze with loud-speakers broadcasting croaks of different pitch at the ends of each arm of the T. When females were released from the borrom of the T they all approached the loudspeaker from which they heard the

deeper croaks.

Because large toads can drive away smaller toads Dr Fairchild expected that if attractive, large toads would tend to be concentrated He captured males during the mating season and found that although a few small toads had managed to find space in the colder areas, large toods were present in disproportionately greater numbers. Indeed, many of the smallest toads had been displaced from the pond and were forced to sit on the much warmer pond bank where their croaks became even higher.

However, the small males then make the most of their chance to importune ap-proaching females before they enter the pond
Source: Science (Vol 212 p950) Nature-Times News Service.

Mental patients' plight 'known for years'

charity, said yesterday that no inquiry was needed into shocking conditions at the mental handicap hospitals disclosed in a television documentary programme because they had been known about for years by the Department of Health and Social Security. Social Security.

Today Mr Larry Gostin, MIND's legal director, is sending two letters to the health ser-vice Parliamentary Commissioner (ombudsman) and the Berkshire area health authority complaining about conditions for patients ar Borocourt Hos-pital, near Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire. "The health authority and

the Secretary of State have known about Borocourt since 1978 but nothing has been done", Mr Gostin said. "This is either because they want to cover up or because they are too insensitive to see how detrimental this is to the patients' interests." . Borocourt is one of the most

modern and supposedly best funded hospital for the mentally handicapped in the country, but the ATV film, to be shown tomorrow at 9 pm, shows adults caged in compounds our side because of staff shortages. In 1978 a confidential report prepared by the National prepared by the National Development Team, a group of inspectors who report to the Department of Health and Social Security, was highly critical of the hospital.

It said that conditions in the wards left a lot to be desired. The conditions on the wards, especially those for children and adolescents, are such that they could provoke further assaults on nurses, leading to

an investigation of conditions, which is likely to be unfavourable to the hospital.

"We therefore suggest that urgent action be taken to look into the needs of children and adolescents." The report com-

MIND, the mental health plained of overcrowding rul said the children's wards were depressing. Staff were full-occupied keeping patic s clean and well turned out. "At weekends, when there were fewer staff and more patients on wards, block treatment was inevitable."

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In a letter to Sir John Hedges, chairman of the Berkshire health authority, Mr Gostin refers to this report and to a memorandum from the Royal College of Nursing which is in official dispute with the hospital. The local branch of the royal

college carried out a survey among staff at the hospital earlier this year after complaints that senior nurse managers were ignoring or undermining their

Fifteen nurses replied to 2 questionnaire saying that there was no policy of planning a programme of care for each patient. gramme of care for each patient. In a ward of 29 patients there was one inexperienced nursing auxiliary on duty.
In his letter to Sir John, Mr.

Bostin says patients are alone for long periods, in one case for six months. If that is not put right, MIND says, it will consider complaining about it to the European

Commission of Human Rights. In both this letter and the one to Mr Cecil Clothier, the health service Ombudsman, Mr Gostin complains about mismanagement at Borocourt. The complaint to Mr Clothier is on behalf of a parent with a daughter at the hospital.

would put her at risk.
Today the Berkshire health
authority will hold a press conference to object to the way the

ATV film was made, and reporters will be shown round the hospital.

£50,000 TO HELP SHOT PC

More than £50,000 had been More than 150,000 had been raised by the public and colleagues for Police Constable Philip Olds, who is paralysed from the chest down after being shot, Scotland Yard said yes.

PC Olds, aged 29, who lives in Pinner, London, is confined to a wheelchair. Stuart Blackstock, the man

who shot him in a raid on an off-licence shop in Hayes, London, was sentenced to life imprisonment on Friday for wounding him with intent to resist arrest.

Correction

Nursing facilities are not included in a scheme, reported on June 5, to provide severely disabled former RAF personnel with low cost holidays abroad.

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The conference went on to propose that the TUC should Scottish air tares cut

From Our Correspondent Glasgow British Caledonian Airways plan to operate from June 17 a new service between Glasgow and Edinburgh and Gatwick, and Edinburgh and Gatwick, including a return flight, to be known as the "beat the recession businessman's special".

The new deal, which is sub-The new deal, which is subject to government approval, will be valid on all British Caledonian's 58 flights on these Scottish routes, which are said to be losing £3.6m a year.

The "businessman's special", to be offered exclusively in Scotland ar first will cover Scotland at first, will cover overnight accommodation in

London at a three-star hotel.

first-class rail travel between Gatwick airport and London, all for an inclusive price of In: addition there will be an £80 excursion fare, valid for one month on any flight, provided the travel dates include a Saturday night stopover, and a £34

peak flight stand-by fare.

money saved in expenditure cuts should be diverted to civil projects that will, provide employment for trade unionists whose livelihood depends on the defence budget. **BBC STRIKE** STOPS 'THE LISTENER'

By Kenneth Gosling The Listener will not be published today because of a pay-dispute involving journalists employed by BBC Publications. The journalists are to have their third meeting with the management at the offices in London of the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service tomorrow.

tomorrow. Radio Times will come out this week, but without local editions, Mr. Anthony Howard, editor of The Listener, brought out the magazine single-handed last week after the strike was declared. He said this week's would have been impossible bewould have been impossible because contributors, such as A. J. P. Taylor and Roy Hattersley, had not wanted their work to appear while the jour-

nalists were on strike: It is believed to be only the second time in its history that The Listener has failed to appear.

unions in talks plea

By Donald Macintyre

British Rail is to join rail British Kau is to join rail unions in seeking an urgent meeting with Mr. Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Transport, to discuss what both sides consider as an investment crisis facing the industry.

The move came after BR had disclosed that revenue from the passenger business this year is expected to be £72m less than forecast and confirmed that losses are likely to total about

aid from the Government in an attempt to make up the shore fall in revenue, but emphasized yesterday that there would be no more money available to finance pay increases of more than 7 per cent on offer.

The separate move for a joint meeting on investment agreed last night between Sir Peter Parker, chairman of BR, and union leaders, comes against a background of a call by the train drivers policy conference to their leaders to take early steps towards official industrial action against planned curs. BR, however, made clear last night that neither cuts in South-

inter-city service reductions simed at saving £25m, can be

both sides of the industry recognized that there were short-term and long-term problems. He added that if the country

was to develop a railway worthy of Grear Britain in the next 20 years, "We have got to step up our rate of investment and renewal of assets. That is the real crux.

cularly anxious to win an early commitment from the Govern-ment to spend up to £1,000m on electrification over the next 20

TRAWLER RESCUE A trawlerman in his twenties, injured by machinery, was rescued from a Sponish ship by a Royal Navy helicopter 200 miles out in the Arlantic vesterday. He was taken to hos. pital in Loudonderry, Northern

BR will join

Labour Reporter

BR is to apply for bridging

The separate move for a joint

action against planned cuts. ern Region, which have already provoked unofficial walkouts by guards and drivers, or planne

reversed. Although that will disappoint union leaders who have been pressing for a £100m increase in this year's cash limit of £920m, they are likely to be en-couraged that Sir Peter has agreed to press within the next 10 days for a tripartite meeting. Mr Clifford Rose, BRs direc-our of industrial relations, said after last night's meeting that

BR and the unions are parti-

Mr Fowler, who has referred electrification proposals to the Central Policy Review Staff. said last week that he hoped to make a statement on the issue within the next few weeks.

John Sever, MP for Birming-ham, Ladywood; was strongly defended by the deputy leader. ment of what had happened in "I think it is the duty of bers who bitterly contested bis Jenkins gives reasons for

risking by-election fight

Speaking at the SDP's London headquarters shortly after the party's national steering com-mittee bad endorsed his candidature, Mr Jenkins said that who had seen the emergence of the party's hopes of overturning the party from the beginning". the party's hopes of overturning the large Labour majority at Warrington were high.

He acknowledged the size of the task facing him, but added: "We shall fight very hard to win, Warrington is not one of the easiest seats in the country for the SDP by any means; but we shall mount a strong campaign and our hopes are very Mr Jenkins, whose decision is

seen at Westminster as streng-

thening his position in an even-tual leadership contest in the party, made clear that he would be fighting a national as well as "We want to use this oppor-tunity to fight in Warrington on Warrington issues; but we also want to use it to explain more fully to the country the need for the Social Democratic

Party", he said.
Mr Jenkins said he looked forward to meeting the local social democrats and added:
"It will be for them then to make the final decision; but if their mind is as I understand it to be, I will be glad to accept the candidature. He added that he hoped to

meet the Warrington Liberals to whose support I attach

great importance" on the same

We intend to be

By Philip Webster, Political Staff Mr Roy Jenkins said yesterday that his decision to fight
the Warrington by-election was
a risk which in the interests of
the Social Democratic Party it
was right to take.

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Mr Jenkins commented: "I felt that it was desirable in present circumstances that the SDP should have a candidate He was asked if, as he had agreed it was a difficult seat, defeat in Warrington would jeopardize the party's prospects. He replied: "It is a risk which in the interests of the party it is right to take"

Mr Jenkins, the former Labour Chancellor of the Exchequer and President of the Euronean Commission, seemed

uronean Commission, seemed Euronean Commission, seemed almost elated vesterday at the prostrict of a return to the hustings. His first electoral contest was at Solihull in 1945. Warrington will be his twelfth. Even if he is beaten at Warrington, Mr Jenkins has probably taken over from Mrs Williams as the favourite to be the eventual leader of the SDP. One party worker said vester-One party worker said vester-ay: "He has shown that he day: "He has shown that he is prepared to have a go, and this will mean a lot to our people in the country." At present the purty has no constitution, let slone a method of electing a leader.

Mr Robert Muclennan. MP for Caithness and Sutherland.

a barrister, has been engaged in recent months in drawing un constitution. His proposals have been seen briefly by the ereering committee bur will be discussed more fully shortly. Can the Social Democrats Succeed? page 12 wing factions.

due to be put to him. Warning on Communist

An attack on the left was made yesterday by Mr James Wellbeloved, MP for Erith and Crayford and a former Under-Secretary of State for Defence.

He denounced the intrusion of Community of the Defence of the Defence of Community of the Defence of of Communists on to the Roya Arsenal Co-operative Society's political committee in the choice of a man whom he called "a left-wing Bennite" to go forward as the co-operative number for the generative num operative nominee for the candidature in the Woolwich, East, constituency, now represented by Mr John Cartwright, who has joined the Social Demo-

Mr Wellbeloved said: "

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By Our Political Correspondent

have demanded a roll call vote to expose the Communist influence in Labour Party affairs. It is outrageous that Communist and Marxist militants can influence. ence and even determine who shall be a Labour Party candi-

By A Staff Reporter

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Limited seek damages for delay
in returning the Rolls-Royce to
a leasing company.

Mrs Hegard, of Witcacre,
Fairmile Avenue; Cobham, Surrey, claims the disputed items were gifts between the parties during marriage or in joint ownership. She counterclaims for declarations and also seeks damages for "severe shock and emotional distress".

The disputed items include The disputed items include many Fabergé pieces, including three sets of gold, enamel and diamond cuff-links, gold brooches, a Cape Diamond stamp collection said to be worth £18,414, a silver-gilt thermometer, plates, knives, bowls, glasswaree and carriagee clocks. owis, glasswaree and carriagee Mr John William Lofthouse, another process worker, who still works for BNFL, receives

Government likely to oppose EEC planning code

By David Nicholson-Lord

The Government is expected albeit at the discretion of local to make clear today its opposi- authorities. tion to a proposal that has been described as the most importaut environmental measure yet produced by the European Commission.

The Government's position. which has surprised and depresed conservationists, will be explained to the Commons standing committee on EEC documents and later this week at the council of ministers' meeting in Luxembourg, where the draft directive on environ-mental assessment will be officially on the agenda for the

The directive, which went through 20 drafts before being published last year, lays out a European framework for development control broadly in line with the best principals of British planning, notably on public information and consultations.

Its supporters, who include professional bodies such as the fown and Country Planning Association and the Royal Town Planning Institute, argue that the provisions for assessing the environmental impact of pro-jects beforehand would invoice little disturbance in Britain, but make for an enormous improve-ment in countries like Greece and Spain, where legal pro-tection of the countryside is relatively flimsy.

By far the most controversial section for Britain is a pro-vision for bringing agriculture within development control,

A company

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Mrs Elizabeth Hegard went to

the High Court in London yes-

terday to challenge a claim that

more than £50,000 of jewelry

and other items belonging to

companies controlled by Mr

Per Hegard her former husband,

She agreed that she had han-

ded over a Rolls-Royce Silver

Shadow car, registration number

100PH, but disputed that she

should pay rental charges of £1,300 a month.

Mrs Hegard, aged 35, heard Mr Justice Comyn say: "I have heard a good many things in my

life, but I have never heard of company cuff-links before. "They are not one of the disputed items in a bank but are apparently being used by a

Mr Terence Cullen, QC, for

the plaintiff companies control-led by Mr Hegard, said there

was nothing fraudulent if Mr Hegard had persuaded the In-land Revenue that one of the companies, Seton Fine Arts, was dealing in cuff-links.

He said: "The whole thing was designed to get the best possible tax advantage and there is no question of the Revenue

suggesting that Seton Fine Arts

Was a snam.".

The judge: "In effect, you are saying that whether there, was anything fraudulent is neither here nor there. All this

property belongs to the com-cany and the company is en-titled to have it back."

In two actions Scton Fine Arts and Invery House claim

the return of jewclry and objects d'arts from Mrs Hegard

and a declaration regarding ownership of other items.

In another action Seton Trust

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a Norwegian millionaire.

cuff-links

It is thought to be the first legislation to propose this since the present planning system was introduced, yet curiously has attracted none of the attention given to similar attempts

during the passage of the Wild-life and Countryside Bill.

The directive has already been backed by a House of Lords Select committee but opposed by the Government. largely on the ground that it would add to planning delay. Although the Department of the Environment is thought to be broadly sympathetic, the departments of industry, trade

and energy have mounted a powerful campaign against it.
Mr Robin Grove-White, director of the Council for the Protection of Rural England and the British executive mem-ber of the European Environmental Bureau, said the Govern-ment's attitude had been

thoroughly negative".

He adde: "Britain could be doing everyone else in Europe a big favour by taking a pana big favour by taking a pan-European view of the environ-ment. Instead it has made extraordinary heavy weather of it and raised a lot of problems that we do not think are prob-lems at all."

The benefits of the directive, according to Lady White, chairman of the Lords Select Committee on European Communities, would be seen in countries where industrial development and pollution are threatening precious classical

Whitehall snubs the battery hen protesters

By Hugh Clayton Agriculture Correspondent

The authorities in Whitehall were fully prepared yesterday for a militant demonstration by animal welfare activists at the start of their national week of action to abolish battery

chicken cages,
By mid-morning about fifty
yards of the street outside the Ministry of Agriculture had been cordoned off with crowd barriers. A busload of police-men waited near by. About four hours later five demanstrators, arrived. One was dressed as a chicken in

pink tights and yellow feathers.
Another carried a tray of free range eggs to the main door of the ministry, where an official was waiting to decline the offering.
For Compassion in World
Farming, which organized the
event, it was the latest of many

event, it was the latest of many snubs. Mr Mark Gold, national organizer, said: "We approached the ministry and asked if they would meet us for a fairly detaile ddiscussion and they refused.

"They told us to put our evidence in writing. We are sick of putting our evidence in writing. He gave warning that more

He gave warning that more militant groups like the Animal Liberation Front might begin raiding factory farms to "rescue" chickens which are kept in tiers of battery cages.

"There is no doubt thet if the ministry continues to ignore the campaign they are inviting direct action. We do not condone it, but people ought to think twice before condemning people who take birds and give them a good home", Mr Gold

M1 cracks highlight aging of motorways

By Peter Waymark, Motoring Correspondent

Repairs started vesterday to will go on for six months. Other the M1 north of Nottingham, long delays can be expected on where cracks three feet deep have caused part of the motorway to be closed. Nottingbamshire County Council said the work should be finished in

three to four days.
With two of the three south-bound lanes closed and a 20 mph speed limit imposed on the remaining lane, a three-mile traffic jam built up yesterday morning, although delays later came down to a

few minutes. Police appealed to motorists to avoid the stretch of motor-way near junction 27 at Felley, which is normally used by about 50,000 vehicles a day. the age of the motorway may

are nearing, and in some cases have passed, their designed life of 20 years. Drivers will face long delays this summer because of closures for essen-

tial repair work.

With the holiday scason close, more than thirty sections of motorways are now under repair. On the M2 in Kent, and the Channel ports, work

long delays can be expected on the M4 to the West country, sections of the M1 and M6 in the Midlands, and the M1 in the North.

The motorway system is also having to carry a far greater volume of traffic, particularly heavy lorries, which do most of the damage, than was envisaged when the roads were built. The southern part of the M1 carries 80,000 vehicles a day but was designed for a maximum flow of only 14,000. An extra lane is to be added to

Mr Richard Hazell, one of the police receiver's staff, said yesterday that claims would be paid as soon as possible, but it would take months rather than weeks. The homeless and small shopkeepers would be at the top of the list.

He said the figure of £6.5m claimed might be an overestimate because of duplications. The largest claim was for £325,000. to avoid the stretch of motorists of avoid the stretch of motorists way near junction 27 at Felley, which is normally used by about 50,000 vehicles a day, age but carry 10 per cent of the cracks are blamed on subtraffic, including 22 per cent of the cracks are blamed on subtraffic, including 22 per cent of the deavy goods vehicles and 35 workings on the Derbyshire-Nottinghamshire border but the age of the motorway may also have been a factor.—

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Motorways account for only 1 per cent of the motorway account for and 40 per cent on motorways by the end of the century. Extensive motorway repairs

will have to be done every sum-mer. The Department of Trans-port says 50 miles will be re-12 of 30 claims of any size have been settled.

Mr Gareth Jones, one of the officers handling claims against the Avon, and Somerser Constabulary, said that £73,000 had been paid out in the last 13 months. On average people were receiving about 3 Oper cent of what they had claimed.

One cause of the delays is when claims are made by more than one person, for instance paired this year and between 50 and 70 miles next year. The British Road Federation claims that motorways being built now are under-designed for the traffic they are likely

BNFL pays £96,000 for Windscale radiation claims

British Nuclear Fuels is to pay £96,000 in an out-of-court settlement after two workers died and a third suffered ill health, allegedly caused by

Although agreeing to the set-tlement, BNFL denies liability, saying experts are divided over whether radiation at its Windscale nuclear plant in Cumbria was to blame.

was to blame.

The largest payment, £60,000, goes to Mrs Sarah Southward, the widow of Mr Geoffrey. Southward, He was a health physics monitor from 1951 until he died from leukaemia at the age of 49 in 1975.

Mrs Ena Simpson receives 521,000. Her husband, Mr John Simpson, died from cancer of the pancreas at the age of 57 in 1978 after 27 years as a pro-

cess worker.

£15,000. He suffered cataracts in both eyes and underwent eye surgery in 1974 and 1975. His left kidney was removed because of a tumour in 1977.

BNFL has also greed to pay the families' legal costs. A company statement said: "In. each case expert opinion has been divided as to whether the diseases and injuries suffered by the three workers were caused by radiation.

"Both BNFL and the General and Manicipal Workers' Union, who have supported the three claims, fully accept and recognize that these settlements will not be treated as precedents for any future claims, and that any such claims will be The act does not cover loss of trade, cars or bicycles damaged in the street or loss of good will suffered by, say, a resturant which had built up committee says the scope and procedure of the Act is inade-quate and inflexible and that a number of claims will not be that any such claims will be dealt with swictly on their The Areview of the Act appears to be long overdue, particularly in the time limits, requirements for the police to publicize the provisions of the Act and the exclusion of motor vehicles and other property in the attract. individual merits."

BNFL employs nearly, 7,000 workers at Windscale, where spent nuclear fuel from British and foreign power stations is reprocessed. The uranium from old fuel rods can be reused.

Car sharing has run out of steam

By Craig Seton

Hopes for the growth and ing a car are thought to be scope of car sharing and car pooling schemes appear to have been dashed. Early evidence suggests that the idea, supported by Mr Norman Fowler. Secretary of State for Transport, has not caught on.

A report . commissioned . by the Central Office of Information to assesss the take-up of such schemes since they were year's Transport Act gives the bad news to Mr Fowler that there has been no measurable increase in car sharing and pooling, although there was some indication of increased

public awareness. The idea was to encourage commuters to save money, conserve energy and reduce road congestion by joining schemes to get to and from work, and the Act removed most of the remainging difficulties. Drivers were permitted to advertise and charge for running costs

if they took passengers. Private arrangements involvstill growing, but organized schemes are faring badly, with a few exceptions.

In the wake of the Act several agencies were formed, particularly in London, to put mortorists in touch with passengers travelling from the same area to work, or with other drivers willing to use their vehicles on a rota basis. Most have gone out of business for lack of customers. One, in Rugby, had only one entry on

The Department of Transport is guarded in commenting on progress made, but an official confirmed that most agencies

He said : "The plan has lost its momentum but we are still getting considerable interest from private individuals. On the whole it has gone as well as could be expected, but things

have settled down a bit.".

Transport 2000, the pressure group, was less cautious. Mr Nicholas Lester, its director, said : "Considering the amount lng, perhaps, two or three of faith put in it by the Government commuting each day ment, it has been a disaster. It from a small village and shar- has sunk almost without trace.

Mr Lester said that while most people tended to travel to work at about the same time they were much more flexible about returning home and motorists who shared their cars-found themselves restricted if they were committed to giving

Last year the Department of Transport estimated that half of Britain's working population travelled to work by car and that eight in 10 drivers travelled alone. It was further estimated that if one driver in 50 shared journeys 12 million gallons of fuel a year and running costs of abour 130 would be saved.

The Automobile Association said: "The schemes have not had the success we hoped for. It is really a problem of logistics, finding people living in the same place, going to work in roughly the same area at abour tahe same time."

One scheme, however, is still doing well. The Sperry Rand factory at Bracknell, Berkshire, employing 3,500 people, had 40 people interested in car sharing to get to and from work last November. Twice that number are now taking part.

Civil Service on trial

Field Marshal Lord Carver: 'Cut chain of command'.

from the top, on the shop of the review, the Secretary of State for Defence, the Treasury and the Prime Minister, desparing strengthened visa-vis the other

Whitehall brief

A slaughterer of sacred cows

Commons Select Committee on many Whitehall departments the Treasury and Civil Service for their failure to monitor will begin its investigation of adequately their transactions efficiency and effectiveness in Henley, the Comptroller and Auditor General, Parliament's spending watchdog.

the First Sea Lord, the Chief of the General Staff and the Chief of the Air Staff try to find a consensus under the chairmanship of the CDS.

In 1974 he had to transform

the machinery, carrying the other chicks in the bim on the ground that if they did not impose a framework swiftly, from the top, on the shop of the review, the Secretary of State for Defence the Treasure and

THE TIMES TUESDAY JUNE 9 1981

By Peter Hennessy

Marshal Lord Carver, the think-ing man's soldier, is always a diverting experience. Judged by

normal military standards, he

slaughters sacred cows by the

And, unlike most men who have held public positions of power, he is prepared to do it

on the record, Last week's chat

with the former Chief of the Defence Staff (CDS) was par-

before State (CDS) was par-ticularly intriguing as it took place against the background of a defence review reaching its climax and the chiefs of staff paying their ritual visit to 10 Downing Street.

Lord Carver was number one in the chiefs of staff suite at the Ministry of Defence during.

the last review, in 1974-75, which has come to be associated with the name of Mr Roy Mason, Labour's Secretary of

State for Defence at the time.

One of the sacred cows lined up for the Carver buller last week was the Chiefs of Staff Committee itself. Its procedure,

and that of its large supporting

organization, continues to be-devil policy-making in the mini-stry, he believes, because of "the sanctification of the chiefs of staff ritual, which was really

hallowed in the Second World

War.

"The single Service chiefs are great supporters of the ritual because it gives them the

power of veto to a certain

It involves every piece of policy sinking down three long chains of command—Royal

Navy, Army and Royal Air

laden with comments and alter-native drafts, at which point

£6.5m riot

damages

delayed

By Lucy Hodges

Councillors in Lambeth, south

London, will consider a recom-mendation next week that they should press for a review of the

damage not covered by the law.
After the Brixton riot in April

claims for compensation; amounting to £6.5m have been submitted to the police receiver by about 270 individuals and shopkeepers. At least 12 people, were made homeless, losing all'their necessions.

Mr Richard Hazell, one of the

largest claim was for £325,000 by Lambeth council for one of

Brixtou, is concerned at the time it will take to meet the claims. In Bristol, where there was a riot in the St Paul's dis-

trict more than a year ago, only 12 of 30 claims of any size have

when claims are made by more than one person, for instance by an individual shopkeeper, his insurers and a tenant.

The claims are processed through a complicated procedure. After it has been established that they fall within the scope of the Art they are examined by an assessor, who decides whether they are realistic.

A paper prepare dfor Lam-beth health and social services

paid.
"A review of the Act appears
"A review of the varicularly

The paper says that indica-tions from the police about the urgency with which calims will

be meated do not give grounds for optimism. The police locally have been less involved in encouraging and dealing-with claims than is desirable.

The receiver is unable to

set a likely time for the claims to be met. It is disturbing that at least four traders and residents calleged that individual police officers discouraged them from claiming compensation or told them that their claims would not be paid.

L TEST ATTACK

COST £120

Jimmy Ying Kwong Chau, aged 20, a law student, of The Esplanade, Burnham-on-Sea, Somerset, was fined £25 at Bridgwater Magistrates' Court yesterday for making a Kung Fu attack on the examiner after-

failing his driving test. He was also ordered to pay 195.40 com-pensation to the Department of

the Environment because the examiner was unable to work for the rest of the day.

POLICEMAN HURT

was injured when he was making an arrest in Welholme Road, Grimsby, yesterday, but he held on to the attacker. A man is to be charged today.

Police Inspector Ewan Denis

realistic.

regular trade.

its properties.

conversation with Field

Riot Damages Act, in view of the time it takes to process claims and the amount of his memorandum on internal July 8.

of the chiefs taking any hard decisions in time, would impose

decisions in time, would impose it for them.

Something of that sort, he suspects, has happened in the present review, which has been conducted at high speed.

Lord Carver does not approve, however, of the radical surgery proposed in a Times leading arricle last weak it. Suggested

and payments.
Other witnes the Civil Service on Thursday include Lord Croham, former questioning Sir Douglas Head of the Rome Civil Service, on June 17; Mr Kenneth Sharp, Head of the Governmen Accountancy Service, on June 25, and Sir Ian Bancroft, Head of the Home Civil Service, on

'PUNITIVE' BRIDGE TOLL CRITICIZED

three, that the tri-Service element should be relegated to

much lower down the hierarchy and that there should be an end

to "Buggins's turns", whereby the Services fill the CDS job on

The present structure can be

the man at the top has suffi-

His idea of reform would be

to cut chunks out of the chain of command and to strip the

ministry as a whole of its bur-densome committee structure

The present system, he says, is

based on the "very democratic idea that everybody must have ther say—even the Chaplains' Department!"

evidence last week, the impres-sion of his dissent heightened

by the venue of the interview in the House of Lords and the

fact that this tall, spare soldier

was wearing morning dress, having come from a function at the Royal Hospital, Chelsea.
Repeating views that have infuriated both Mrs Margaret Thatcher and Mr John Nott, Sccretary of State for Defence, Lord Carver said of the defence review: "I think this Trident issue is bedevilling the whole thing over the equipment

Before Mrs Thatcher's nuclear deterrent Cabinet com-mittee, MISC 7, reached its de-

cision to procure Trident last year, Lord Carver had spoken

publicly against it, saying he could not imagine any responsible British Prime Minister ordering a nuclear strike

against the Soviet Union if the United States had already re-

over the equipment

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Lorry operators are protest-ing at "punitive" tolls on the new £100m Humber Bridge, to be opened by the Queen next month. The toll will be £6 for a medium-size lorry, com-pared with a maximu of about

The Humber Bridge Board is accused of favouring cars (£1 toll) and light vans (£2) in a joint report by the Freight Transport Association and the Road Haulage Association.

Solicitors say touts are stealing clients

By Frances Gibb

Several firms of solicitors outside London are claiming that they are losing cases to other firms who are touting for business and stealing clients. A. eport has been sent to the Law Society by Mr Kip Waistell, a Sussex solicitor.

More than a dozen firms have complained of "touting" by firms, chiefly in London, over criminal cases, which in the main involve legal aid. "If a dozen firms are complaining". one solicitor said yesterday, you can assume there are many more with the problem who have not bothered to com-

He said that clients who were in prison together discussed their solicitors and sometimes decided to change them. "But some of it is more than that. There has been, in my view, definite touting." In a letter to the Law Society Gazette this week, a group of five solicitors from Manchester say that the position in their area is "most worrying". They accept that some clients

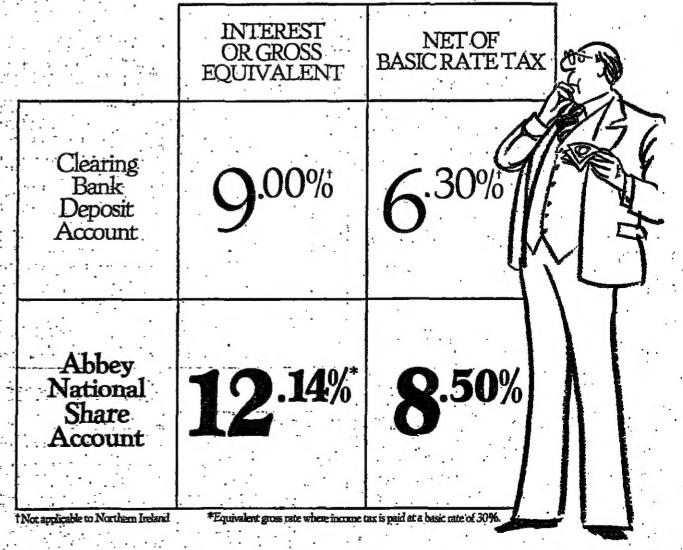
genuinely want to change solicitors. "But we find it very hard to accept that in cases of the greatest gravity, when in the teeth of the fiecest opposition, some of us have obtained a client bail, that client who is almost overwhelmed with grati-tude . . transfers to another solicitor, upless there has been

some external direction." Somehow or other, they say, this direction is going on, and if different firms in the region compiled their lists of the culprits the lists would be sure to

The group has called for their local law societies to set up a an ad hoc subcommittee to investigate. "Since the Law Society is so concerned about the image of the profession, it should do its utmost to purge it of suspected impurities. The Law Society said yester-day that touting or advertising

for business was not allowed. If a solicitor approached a client whom he knew had a solicitor, the Law Society would investigate with a view to taking disciplinary action.

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dealers over

The Duke of Devoushire may

national firm of art dealers, who have still not paid him the £1.65m it owes him for a paint-

The Duke is understood to be prepared to issue a writ if he does not receive within a few days the money for "Holy

Family with the Infant St John", sold at Christie's on

April 10 to raise funds to endow a charitable foundation to run Chatsworth.

Wildenstein's announced at

the end of April that they had bought the work on behalf of

two Californian museums, the J. Paul Gerty Museum and the Norton Simon Foundation.

Because the money has not

been paid, the duke is losing an estimated £4,000 a week.

A spokesman for the Chats-

worth House Trust said: "We are quite clear about the agree-

are quite clear about the agree-ment that we made with Wilden-stein's. It was that £550,000 would be paid on account of the purchase price within 28 days, that is May 8th, and the balance within 90 days, that is July 9, and we have received nothing so far."

The money was very import-

ant for the trust to ensure the house was kept open to the public, he said. No condition had been attached to the sale

relating to an export licence, and that had been understood

both by the trust and Christie's,

with whom there was no dispute

Yesterday Mr Max Harari, a director of Wildenstein's, said they would not pay the Duke until they were assured of getting an export licence for the painting. The work will be considered this week by the Reviewing Committee on the Export of Works of Art.

Dispute over

Garry Prentice McMullan, aged 21, a former rowing champion, who was paralysed in a

car crash four years ago, was at the centre of a High Court for damages for his injuries,

which have been agreed at

Mr McMullan, of Chestnut Close, St Ives, near Huntington broke his neck when a car in which he was a passenger collided with and wedged itself

He is suing Mr Roderick Hen-

derson, the car driver, his friend

who in turn is alleging negli-gence by the driver and owners

Mr Justice Cantley heard in

London that the damages figure had been agreed subject to the

issue of liability. The award

would be the second highest ever for personal injuries. The highest was £338,252, made last

November to a road crash vic-

Mr Colin Fawcett, QC, for Mr McMullan, told the judge: "The tragic result of this accident is

that this very fine athlete in all forms of sport unfortunately

Mr McMullan and Mr Hender-

son were rowers of great skill and had been due to represent

Great Britain in Finland in the

World Junior Rowing Champion-ships on the day after the

They were among the world's

best three double-scull teams.
Mr Henderson, of Waterloo
Road, Bedford, denies liability
for the accident, in July, 1977,

at the Brogborough crossroads

near Husborne, Crawley Bed-

He is suing the London Brick Company, owners of the lorry, and Mr Lewis Edgar Dacy, its

driver, of Burrows Close, Wo-burn Sands, Bedfordshire. The

Death hunt

at barracks

Police hunting the killer of

Marion Crofts, aged 14, yester-day, set up interview rooms at Army barracks near Laffans Road, Farnborough, where she

Det Chief Supt Harry Pil-

beam, head of Hampshire CID. said he wanted every soldier in the area about 1,000 in all, to be questioned in case they

had seen anything that might lead to the schoolgirl's

As well as the soldiers, others to be interviewed include about 600 players from the local golf club, dozens of workers from a

died on Saturday.

murderer.

From June

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damages

under a lorry.

investment income.

ing by Nicolas Poussin.

Duke may sue art

£1.65m painting

take legal action against Christie's after the auction, we wildenstein and Co, the inter-were under the impression the

"When we made the deal at

deal was subject to the granting of an export licence", he said.

of an export licence", he said.
Christie's said yesterday that
normally purchases by dealers
had to be paid for within 28
days. But terms were more
flexible where a purchase was

made after, not during, the sale, as with the Poussin.
Wildenstein's, bidding on be-

half of their New York office, who in turn were acting for the

museums, bought the painting after it failed to reach its

reserve, or minimum price, of £1.7m. They refused to increase

their bid, and after the sale the Duke decided to accept £1.65m.

The delay means that more works of art at Charsworth are

at risk. The Duke has said that be will have to sell other items

because the Poussin did not raise the E2m needed.

Some dealers vesterday expressed concern that the paint-

ng should have had to go

before the reviewing committee, since it had already been-offered to British museums and

The Duke could incur even further losses if the committee decide that the licence should be withheld for a time as the

work is of outstanding national

importance.

Mr Harari said that as soon

as the licence had been granted, Wildenstein's would ask the

museums to pay up.
"Although the work is undoubtedly of aesthetic value, I

do not think it is one of national

importance. There are many

Poussins in private and public

brows to be raised in art circles. One dealer said it was up to

the buyer to incur any financial burden as a result of waiting for

an export licence. The Duke should not have to pay the

IN BRIEF

Colin McFadyen, aged 16, who set fire to four schools because he was bored was

ordered to be detained for 10 years by Mr Justice Kanneth Jones at Teesside Crown Court yesterday. The damage was estimated at £230,000, all to schools within a mile of his home in Stoneyers I are

School arsonist

gets 10 years

collections in this country."

Unions attacked for

CIVIL SERVICE

will of course do all within its

will of course do all within its power to minimize the damage and hardship which is caused to individuals and the country.

To continue this dispute can only do damage to individuals, to the country and to the Civil Service—it can be of benefit to no

Lord Peart (Lab), for the Oppo-

stion, asked if the Government was thinking in terms of a new and ordered agreement system for determining Civil Service pay. Could Lord Soames not give something to the unions on the machinery for determining pay.

machinery for determining pay.
Lady Seear (L) said she was glad
Lord Soames had not given way
to pressure to increase the
amount of money to be paid to
the civil servants. Public opinion
should be fully informed as to
what really was involved.

Could be repeat what the civil
servants had received in the last
three years, which should be
widely understood? There was
nothing sacrosanct about the
period of one year.

In cash terms, what would be

period of one year.

In cash terms, what would be involved if the demand for 15 per cem was to be met? The public understood sams of money better than percentage increases. It was easier for them to translate these sams of money into hospitals not built, or nursery schools or school dinner services closed down.

Lord Soames: The unions have made clear to me that they do not intend to come and talk any

more with us, in view of the fact that I told them on Friday that we cannot agree to their request for arbitration for 1982—

they asked for an immediate deci-sion to that effect—and also that we cannot increase the offer of

into these matters since Priestley, which was 25 years ago, who came op with arrangements which have lasted us, more or less, all right

We need something new and up-to-date. This takes some time. We start talking and timking shout the 1982 pay settlement, which must come into effect on April 1, 1982, sometime in advance of that— in the latter part of 1981. As we are in June, 1981, it is unlikely we can come up with it in time.

Since the Controllent has been

up with it in time.

Since the Government has been in office, in the first year, 1979, we inherited from the last government and implemented a 25 per cent average increase for the Civil Service.

In 1980 there was an 184 per cent increase on top of that 25 per cent which had been staged, making it just under 50 per cent over two years. Granted this was a catching up exercise, but

over two years. Granted this was a catching-up exercise, but the 1980 settlement brought them right up to-date. The 7 per cent on top of that which we are now offering is well in line with what

'vindictive action

The Government would do all within its power to minimize the damage and hardsinp caused to Individuals and the country by the Civil Service unions' decision to extend disruptive action into the social security and memployment areas. Lord Soames, Lord President of the Council and Minister for the Civil Service, said in the House of Lords in a statement on the dispute,

the dispute,
Mr Barney Hayhoe, Minister of
State, Civil Service, said in the
Commons where the statement was
repeated, that the Government had
made it clear on numerous
occasions that the 6 per cent cash
limit should not be breached.

He denied an Opposition accusation that the Prime Minister was
being vindictive, saying that the
action being taken by the Civil
Service unions was vindictive towards the community. He appealed
to the unions to call off their
action

The statement by the Lord President was as follows: I regret to inform the House that the talks we have been holding with the Civil Service unions aimed at resolving the present day dispute broke down on Friday.

The talks had been concerned

both with future arrangements for determining Civil Service pay, and this year's increase in response to the unions' anxiety about arrangements for settling Civil Service on the transfer of the formal in the formal party and the formal party are in the formal party and the formal party and the formal party and the formal party and the formal party are party and the formal party and the formal party are party and the formal party and the formal party and the pa

ments for settling Civil Service pay in the future.

I told them that we were ready to set up an independent autside enquiry to advise on the best upto-date arrangements. Futhermore, since this was unlikely to report in time for the 1982 pay settlement, the Government would not set its cash limit for Civil Service pay next year in advance of nezotiations with the unions.

But the Government was not prepared to agree to the inions further demand that they should be guaranteed access to arbitration for 1982 should agreement not be reached in negotiation.

As to this year's increase, the

As to this year's increase, the Government originally offered 6 per cent and this was subsequently raised in the course of negotiation to 7 per cent to be financed within the 6 per cent cash limit by savings in staff and administrative costs.

But the unions insisted that they would not settle at this figure. They wanted more money

figure. They wanted more money this year.

The Government is satisfied that the 7 per cent offer for this year, together with the assurances we have given for the future are both fair and reasonable. Indeed over two million workers in other public services have already settled at around this figure and faced with the economic facts of life many in the private sector with lesser security of employment have settled for less.

The unions have now amounced their intention to take further disruptive action and to extend it

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inat he had no plans to introduce private capital into the corporation but that the Government is considering whether it could allow competition into gas supplies from the North Sea.

Mir John Bruce-Gardyne (Knutsford, C) asked the Secretary of State for Energy to reform the customer's outlets of the gas board in the light of the Monopolies Commission's 1980 report.

Mir Lamont (Kingston upon Thames, C): The Government is considering how best to deal with the problems which the report highlighted, including the options suggested by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. No decisions have yet been taken.

Mir Bruce-Gardyne: The inescapable conclusion to be drawn from the Monopolies Commission report was that to disembarrass the British Gas Corporation of its retailing activities would be vastly to the public interest.

retailing activities would be vastly to the public interest.

In the light of that, will Mr Lamont not be put off by the huffing and puffing of that dedicated monopolist, Sir Denis Rooke. Mr Lamont: I note what Mr Pruces Gardyne has said and what he wrote in The Sunday Telegraph. Obviously at this stage we are consulting with all those involved. While no decision has yet been taken, it would be wrong for me to say anything further. to say anything further.

Mr Merlyn Rees, chief opposition spokesman on energy (Leeds, South, Lab): We note that the Government has just reappointed that dedicated monopolist to the

to be questioned and usual to the views of the House.
Mr Lamont: That is for the Leader of the House. The Secretary of State for Trade (Mr John Biffen) would make the amnouncement.
Mr Anthony Grant (Harrow, Central Col. The see heard must have Mr Anthony Grant (Barrow, Central, C): The gas board must have spent a substantial sum on propaganda against the Monopolies Commission report, including the extraordinary claim that if the report is accepted, the choice of consumers will be curtailed.

Does the minister agree or does be believe the exact opposite boes me minister agree or does he believe the exact opposite would be the effect? Does he think that expenditure on propaganda by the gas board is entirely a proper use of nationalized lodustry funds? Mr Lamont: Advertising is a matter for the management of the British Gas Corporation but I

Conustrations were taking place this week with companies who might wish to participate in the gas gathering pipeline project, Mr Hamish Gray, Minister of State for Energy, said during questions. Mr Gray (Ross and Cromarty; Consacked about progress in establishing the pipeline, said: Good progress is being made with technical work both offshore and onshore. The project remains on schedule for completion in 1985.

As regards the separate question of furniting the design of the separate of the s share his concern about the matter and have written to Sir Denis Rooke about the advertising campaign and its cost.

I am sure that Sir Denis Rooke
will have noted Mr Grant's comments. I will draw his attention to them. Mr Timothy Eggar (Enfield, North, C) asked what plans the Secretary of State had for intro-ducing private capital into the operations of the British Gas

schedule for completion in 1985. As regards the separate question of financing, the organizing group is now in further contact wish companies which might wish to participate in the project with a view to seeking commitments in principle from those companies within the next few weeks. Mr Richard Douglas (Dunfermline, Lab): It would be more instructive to indicate there is a considerable delay in this project which has slipped from 1984 to 1985. He should indicate the exact nature of the financing of this project. He should indicate the exact nature of the financing of this project. Mr Gray: There is no question of the project being held up; everything on the physical side of the gas gathering scheme is proceeding well.

Consultations are taking place this week between important companies who may wish to participate in the project, and the organizing group. The completion date of 1985 which was given initially of October 1984 to spring: 1985—is still achievable. The Government has every hope the project will proceed in the very near future.

Mr William Hamilton (Central File, Lieb): Can be state categorically that the banks are willing to take part in the financing of this project?

Can be give an assurance that operations of the British Gas Corporation.

Mr Lamont: I have no plans at present to introduce private capital into the BGC.

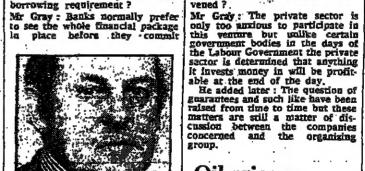
Mr Eggar: Many of us on this side are disappointed. The efficiency of the industry and benefit for the country would be improved if show rooms were disposed of, the monopoly purchasing power of the BGC removed and its oil interests sold off. off.

Mr Lamont: I note what Mr
Eggar has said. I cannot add to
what I have said about show
rooms. The matter is under consideration and consultations are under way.

The future of British Gas Corporation oil assets, including Wych Parm, is also under consideration. Mr Eggar has asked on several occasions whether we could allow

Gas Corporation. Can we be sure competition in gas supplies to that the report will be fully producers in the North Sea.

There are many arguments in whatever that finance, it shall not be a burden on the public sector to be a burden on the public sector.



Gray: Cooperation from banks.

themselves. If Mr Hamilton has ever found a bank which will lend mosey without belt and braces security, he has found something I have not found.

Nevertheless, we have had cooperation from the banks. These discussions are taking place; we are confident that they will be achieved.

Mr Peter Rost (South-East Derive-Mr Peter Rost (South-East Derby-Mr Feter Ross (South East Derby-shire, C): Can we have an assurance that the sale of the gas will not be dominated by the British National On Corporation and British Gas but will offer a genuine opportunity for competi-tion to those monopolies. don to those monopolies.

Mr Gray: Yes. BNOC and the British Gas Corporation have been appointed by the Government in the form of wholesalers and there is no reason why negotiations cannot continue between producers and purchasers as long as they go through the channel of the wholesale method. This will increase the speed of the project.

Mr Alexander Eadie, an Opposition spokesman on energy (Middothian, Lab): He must be aware that accusations are being made of the

matters are still a matter of dis-cussion between the companies concerned and the organizing Oil price a

commercial judgment

Determining the price of North Sea crude was a matter for the oil companies and the British National Oil Corporation, Mr. David Howell, Secretary of State for energy, said during questions. He added that ENOC's proposal to cut the price of oil by \$2 a harrel was their commercial judgment. He was replying to Mr. Trevor Skeet (Bedford, C) who suggested the price should come down by twice as much to give an advantage to industry. Mr. Howell (Guildford, C) said the Government was determined that United Kingdom energy prices should be as competitive as possible and within the limits of economic energy pricing, would continue with all the efforts to see that that was achieved. time wiff all the efforts to see that that was achieved.

He had been asked by Mr Peter. Hardy (Rother Valley, Lab) to take further action to ensure that energy prices did not place industry in an uncompetitive position and stated: Our energy prices cannot be based on other countries' energy supply costs. Nor can they be varied with movements in exbe varied with movements in exchange rates, and they must reflect market conditions in the United Kingdom. accusations are being made of the Government side that expedition of the decision making process is not the name of the game.

It was reported that Mr David Howell, the Secretary of Sinte, had Mr Hardy: His answer seems to suggest that there has been some

Parliament today
Commous (2.30): Employment and Training Bill, remaining stages. Education (Scotland) Bill, third reading. Select committees: Transport: Subject: Testing of HGVs and PSVs by private sector. Witnesses: IPCS (4.15) and Freight Transport Association (5). Standing committees: Companies (No 2) Bill (10.30): Wildlife and Countryside Bill (10.30) and 4.30); Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection (Scotland)) Bill (10.30): Finance Bill (4.30). Committee on private Bill: County of Kent Bill (11). Lords: Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill, third reading. Forestry Bill, report.

Labour move colleges fails

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When demand for teachers had

collapsed, as it had in Scotland, it was irresponsible to go od training teachers, for a profession which was unable to employ them. In the early 1970s the colleges of education had provided pre-service training, for about 12,700 student teachers each year. The number in the present session was 4,892 and

Service unions. The action they are taking is vindictive towards the community as a whole and I appeal to them to call it off.

Mr Williams: What about leave, promotion and the bonours list?

Mr Williams: What about leave, promotion and the bonour's list?
Air. Hayboe: He refers to some weekend press speculation which seemed to be saving the Government was determined to punished the servants. Of course the Government is not.

I recognize that the vast majority of civil servants are continuing to give loyal service to their departments. They are keeping the business of government running and it is right that we should pay tribute to the work tieg are doing.

Mr John Perton (Yeovil. C): Mr Williams' comments come oddly from someone whose adminstration did not have all that happy a time on Civil Service pay? The habit of promoting and fostering grievances, taking it out at every turn on the public, people who can easily be hurt, will disrupt the whole community and imporerish the nation.

the nation.

Mr Havhoe: The last administration reduced in real terms the level of Civil Service pay. The increases of nearly 50 per cent, a cumulative average increase in the last two years, were granted so they could catch up with others outside.

There can be no justification for civil servants taking the sort of disruptive action they have been taking. It is clearly designed to damage the country and the community. The threats to extend the action to damage the interests of those least able to protect themselves is disgraceful.

Mr Enoch Powell (South Down,

Mr Harboe: The Government's offer, taking account of all circum stauces, relative job security, con-ditions of employment and conparisons with ourside, is fair and, reasonable. On his more theoreti-cal and philosophical aspects. I would not wish to add to the Prime

weel.
Mr Kenneth Lewis (Rutland and Stemford, C): The Government, by its own choice, is in a rough, touch situation of free collective bergaining. Is it not tough for the minister to negotiate if the Cabiner makes a predetermined decision?

Why is it right for the Govern-ment to stand firm on cash limits? Is it not important that a minister should have flexibility in his nego-

Mr Bythoe: He is right. I take it he fully supports my colleagues on the arrangements being made for the negotiations next year. C. this

said that the private sector has not | movement over the last eight or

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There might be room for some argument and discussion, but that that should be the sort of situation which calls for this sort of industrial disruption is something of a totally different order and in the Government's view is not

in the Government's view is not warranted in any way.

As to the cost of this, to gram 7 per cent will cost £320m and to give the full 15 per cent which the unions are asking for would cost a further £370m. This is in the order of £46m per percentage point.

Lord Boyd-Carpenter (C) said the public would be outraged if the civil servains deliberately damaged the old and the memployed in pursuit of their claim.

Were such action to take place, public opinion would begin to wooder whether the 7 per cent offer could continue open indef-

offer could continue open indef-

initely.
Lord Soames: As to future plans, the Covernment will be giving consideration to those when considering what action the unions take.

from now on.
Lady Wootton of Abinger (Lab):
What is the reason for the Government's resolute opposition to
arbitration in this case?

Lord Sozmes: Because cash limits are the determining factor and only the Government can judge

what it can give within those cash limits and that cannot be judged by arbitration. It was decided this year in these circumstances not to go to arbitration.

Lord Pearl: What contingency arrangements has the Government made to deal with the escalating strikes? What is it going to do to make sure social security benefits are paid

fits are paid

Lord Soames: I can assure the

House that the Government has
taken all steps possible within its
power in the way of confingency
planning, and arrangements have
been made to ensure the minimum
of damage is done to individuals
or to the country.

Lord Mischon (Lab): The refusal

of arbitration, (Lab): The refusal of arbitration, whether by a union or an employer, is taken by the public to be a sign of weakness by those who refuse arbitration.

by those who refuse arbitration.
Lord Scames: The Government
has to decide what the cash limits
are to be and no arbitrator can
decide such a thing. The Government cannot hand that over to
any other body. Once it has decided what that cash limit is, only
the Government can work out what

After Mr Hayboe had repeated

the statement in the Commons, Mr Alan Williams, Opposition spokesman on the Civil Service (Swansea, West, Lab) said : Nego-tlations can have no meaning next

N Sea gas

this week

pipeline talks

alter the basis of Civil Service On the immediate situation, and

On the immediate situation, and the escalation, it should be pointed out as coming about after three mouths in which the unions have tried to have minimum impact on the public. What contingency arrangements have been made by the Government to ensure that the unemployed and those on social security benefits are protected, as MPs would want them to be, as a result of this dispute?

dispute?

It is clear that the Government completely miscalculated the mood and anger within the Civil Service and in acting on the Prime Minister's instructions has mishaudled the whole build-up to this escalation by unfilsterally tearing up the pay research unit operation and by refusing arbitration.

Is 7 per cent the absolute maxi-Is 7 per cent the absolute maxi-

Is 7 per cent the absolute maximum compatible with the 6 per cent cash limit? Is there any headroom, and if there is why has be not told us what is the precise figure? Governments consistently underspend by about 3 per cent within cash limits.

Is he categorically denving that the Prime Minister in her well known vindictiveness intends to interfere with the promotion and leave arrangements for the civil servants who have been involved in strikes? To do so would demoralize the Civil Service if in two or three years people are still two or three years people are still being punished for having stood up to the Prime Minister for what

they see to be their right.

Will be deny the extraordinary story that in a bout of pettiness and affiliness at being opposed, the Prime Minister intends to use the honours list to putish strikers?
This is a matter for the Royal
Prerogative and not for the Prime
Minister to embroil the Queen in
the Government's industrial dis-

If there is any truth to this absurd and preposterous story was there any consultation with the Palace before it was carefully leaked to the press over the weekend?

Mr Hayhoe: He asked if it was

possible to have meaningful nego-tiations in 1982 without having a prior commitment to arbitration. Of course it is, and that is why we have said that these negotia-tions will be conducted without there being a predetermined cash limit so that meaningful negotia-tions can take place. tions can take place.

The Department of Health and Social Security and the Department of Employment bave contingency arrangements designed to protect those in receipt of benefits. The best protection that can be given is for the Civil Service unions to call off the action they protected in these areas. they propose in these areas. There will be no immediate There will be no immediate effects for the great majority of beneficiaries, but no one should be returning their order books to the DHSS Newcastle central office. There are energency plans in the DHSS and the Department of Employment local offices to make payments where these have been disrupted by industrial action at the central computer.

On whether the 2 per cent offer. On whether the 7 per cent offer was the appropriate figure on the 6 per cent cash limit, the 7 per cent is the maximum figure which the Government believe can safely be offered to maintain the 6 per cent cash limit polky, and we have made absolutely clear on

nave made absolutely clear on numerous occasions, and there was never any doubt for the union leaders that the Government was determined that the 6 per cent cash limit should not be breached. The reason arbitration is being denied in 1981 is clear. Lord Soames made clear to the unions in August last year that cash limits would play the major part in the 1981 settlement. In October he confirmed that it would be the determinant for the 1981 settlement by those circumstance. settlement. In those circumstances the Civil Service leaders realized that if the cash limit was to be the dominant factor then arbitra-tion could not play a part.

Mr Williams criticized what he saw as the vindictive, malicious policy of the Government. The vindictiveness that exists in this dispute must lie with the Civil

yet been given a chance to demon-strate its position. Why on earth has the Prime Minister inter-

raised from time to time but these

Williams : Miscalculated.

selves is dispraceful.

Mr Knoch Powell (South Down, Off UU): Will the Government consider if they cannot make a fresh start by recognizing the inconsistency between its theory of the cause of inflation and the proper policy for dealing with it and the attempt forcibly to alter real relativities of remunerment inhiberto considered right? They could learn from the 1978-79 experience, the folly and outcome of trying to deal with inflation he fixing money wages at a lower level than the level of current inflation.

Mr Hayboe: The Government's

tiations?

year, it was the considered judg-ment of the Government that it would not be possible in the partic-ular economic circumstances con-fronting the nation for there to be

All I can do once more is to reiterate that we are going to stand firm on the 6 per cent cash limit. It will not be breached this year.

tries, or sections of industry, which

are otherwise highly competitive internationally?

Mr Howell: He overlooks the

concessions that have been made. The present concession on gas pricing is valuable for customers taking firm and interruptible gas supplies.

There are big continental increases in gas prices coming along and the prospect of British gas holding its price with oil prices at levels where the disparities with the continent will help industry. Other measures are being taken on electricity to help industry.

Mr Michael Morris (Northampton, South, C1: The actions be has taken are greatly welcomed by British industry, but bearing in mind that this will take a little.

time to achieve, can be reassure fritish industry that for the future there will be some proper means of monitoring, and we will have some statement or action from his department, to ensure

that we get more and more com-petition in energy costs?

petition in energy costs?

Mr Howell: We are watching these disparities and comparisons closely. There are obvious disadvantages in taking snapshots each month.

Parliament today

schools within a mile of his home in Stoneygate Lane, Felling Tyne and Wear. McFadyen, who was put into council care when he was 10 for starting a £125,000 school ruptive action and to extend it into the Social Security and un-employment fields. The Govern-ment deplores this decision. It blaze, yesterday admitted set-Gas advert ting fire to the four schools. Abduction charge campaign William Allen, aged

ENERGY

criticized

46, of Park Avenue, Worcester, was charged at Ludlow Magis-trates Court, Sbropshire, yester-day, of abducting Mrs June Griffiths, aged 46, at Church Stretton on June 4 and detaining her against her will at a farm near Aberystwyth. He was remanded in custody.

£100,000 damages

Mr George Harrison, aged 44, a ship's carpenter, of Billinge, Merseyside, was awarded £100,000 agreed damages in the High Court in London yesterday for serious leg injuries suffered in an accident in the Furness Bridge, 91,000 tonnes, an oil and bulk carrier. £350,000 Saudi gift

A £350,000 Saudi Arabian donation to the £2.5m appeal by the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh was handed over in Edinburgh yesterday by General Rida Khalifa, head of the Saudi Defence Ministry's medical services and a fellow of the college. the college.

TV bear licensed

Summonses relating to Hercules, the 8ft brown bear of television fame, were dropped of felevision rame, were grooped at Bow Street yesterday after the clerk of the court stated that Mr Andrew Robin, the bear's owner, had obtained the necessary licence for keeping a wild calibrate.

Car charge adjourned A charge of careless driving against James Jardine, aged 52, chairman of the Poice Federation, of West Ewell. Surrey, was adjourned indefinitely at Cheltenham yesterday because prosecution witnesses were not available.

Jail for child assault Stephen Watkins, aged 24, unemployed, of Homerton, east London, was jailed for four years at Snaresbrook Crown Court yesterday for assaulting a girl aged seven last February and March at a bome run by Backney Borough Council.

Roller skates danger

Mr John Fraser, opposition spokesman on consumer affairs, called on the Government yesterday to introduce minimum safety standards for roller skates. fairground in the area and hundreds of members of a group of "cavaliers and round-heads" who had been fighting

Man who killed wife freed Gordon Asher, aged 30, a killed her Mr Asher buried her

was sentenced to six months' was sentenced to six months what he has done, what he did use i imprisonment, suspended for peace two years for manslaughter. He expe was found not guilty of murder. Mr Asher: "Your conduct after mile: The jury heard that Mr what you did was extremely calts for Asher's wife had been having loss and I suspect calculated of an affair with two men. Her But I have come to the conselu-

lorry driver, of Garnier Park,
Wickham, Hampshire,
strangled his wife in a bathroom during a party, at Winchester Crown Court yesterday,
was sentenced to six months, a sentenced to six months. what he has done, what he did

mile: The same and been having spent to the conclusion of an affair with two men. Her But I have come to the conclusion husbaud had left her, and they sion that baving spent 10 weeks scutt had become reconciled shortly in prison, and had the remorse which I um told you feel, you have suffered enough."

TRANSPORT

The points awarded against motorists for certain offences and The points awarden against motorists for certain offences and which when totted up can lead to disqualification will in future be called "penalty points". This follows from a series of amendments to the Transport Bill. agreed to in the House of Lords.

During the resumed committee stage of the Bill Lord Houghton of Sowerby (Lab) said a note of statutory displeasure should be introduced into the points system.

On most occasions the word points was used meritoriously. The points system in the Bill introduced the technique of the flower show and the scoreboard and getting the cup for the best in the show. It was a mistake in the psychology of the system.

Lord Bellwin, Under Secretary of

Lord Bellwin, Under Secretary of State for the Environment, said there was merit in Lord Hough-ton's point about points. The Gov-ernment would accept what seemed to be the feeling of the House. Lady Steeling of the House.

Lady Steelingn (SDP) moved an amendment enabling a driving licence to be returned after disqualification showing on it the number of penalty points over the 12 which or penalty points over the 12 which caused the disqualification.

Under the Bill, once disqualification had been imposed under the points system those points could not be counted again. But surely

Government lose on points

the purpose of the system was to influence and perhaps deter the persistent offender. To wipe the slate clean appeared to be contrary to this objective. to this objective.

Lord Underhill (Lab), for the Opposition, said if the residue of points above the 12 were wiped clean, the possible effect on the habitual offender would be diminished. Lady, Stedman's amendment was not vindictive, but was a common sense proposal. Viscount Cross (C) said to carry points over was to perpetuate the present unsatisfactory system. He welcomed the new penalty points system and the new clean-sheet proposals. They were fair and just and the public would respond to them.

Earl Fortescue (C) opposed the Earl. Forzescue (C) opposed the amendment. He said it was too severe, far more severe than the present totting up procedure. He was in favour of wiping the slate clean after the period of disqualification.

The amendment was withdrawn.
Lord Underhill moved an amendment to carry forward any points in excess of 12 and add them to the points in respect of any other offence committed within three years from the date of the consideration by the court.

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Lord Mackay of Clashfern, Lord Advocate, said if a person was disqualified because he had accumulated more than 12 points then the number in excess of 12 should be reflected in an increased period of disqualification. If the stage was reached where disqualification had to be imposed, all the circumstances in the first of the period of disqualification had to be imposed, all the circumstances should be taken into account, including all the points awarded.

rears from the date of the consideration by the court.
He said his amendment had the fullest support of the Automobile Association, who believed that the system of wiging the slate clean should not have been abolished. What had an effect on the moorist was the fear of another disqualification. His amendment was aimed to influence the habitual offender. The difference between his and-lady Stedman's amendment, was that he was limiting it to a period of three years:
Lord Bellwin said it was not the intention under the proposed system that a convicted driver should escape any more lightly than hitherto.
The courts would be able to take

Lord Underfull moved an amend-ment to give the courts the discre-tion to impose three to eight penalty points for careless or in-considerate driving to place of the fixed penalty in the Bill of five

five points for the same offence.

He said where there was an element of doubt and question of opinion as distinct from fact; one should be able to go to the courts and press one's point of view.

Lord Mackey of Clashlern said on the offence of careless driving it was unreasonable in the present state of resources available for the courts to make this discretion available.

The amendment was carried by 9 syntes to 50—majority against the Government, 48.

points.

He said there should be a range

nical although they came into the same group.
Lord Mackay of Clashfern said that an inner-departmental working party did consider that a variety or runge of points for certain offences was possible, but the Government had to consider the effect on the work of the courts.

The court had discretion on the line or whether or not to endorse.

The amendment was withdrawn.
Lord Lucas of Chilworth (C) moved an amendment giviny the court discretion to award two to five points for the same offence.

He said where there was at ele-

on Scottish

The Government had produced no costings to show, even according to its own monetarist policy, that it would make savings by the proposed closure of colleges of education in Scotland, Mr Harry Ewing, an Opposition spokesman on Scotland, said. All existing figures showed the opposite to be the case and that the Government would lose money.

when the report stage of the Education (Scotland) Bill started, Mr Ewing (Stirling, Falkirk and Grangemouth, Lab), moved a new clause to prevent the Secretary of State for Scotland from closing or proposing to close such colleges.

Mr Alex Pietcher, Under Secretary of State, Scottish Office (Edinburgh North, C) said that be hoped discussions about Notre Dame and Craiglockhart would be coucleded this week. The talks were reaching a satisfactory conclusion.

this was expected to fall to 4,500 in 1983-84. How could anyone with mathematical knowledge say they should continue with 10 colleges with a cpacity for 13.000 teachers to rain only 4,500? Pupil-teachers ratios were still improving.

There was no restriction on the imake of students in mathematics, physics, and technical subjects.

The clause was rejected by 154

The clause was rejected by 154 votes to 111—Government majority, 43.

Office hours rejected

Time was the most important weapon in the hand of the Opposition and to restrict the House of Commons to working office hours would benefit the Government of the day, Mr William Hamilton, (Central Fife, Lab) said after another Labour MP had said that it would be much more efficient to have daytime sittings.

Mr Iack Dormand (Fasington,

Mr Jack Dormand (Easington, Lab) also asked why ever other western democracy could conduct its affairs that way, but the House of Commons could not. Mr Francis Pym, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Leader of the House of Commons (Cambridgeshire, C): the reason is that every country and Parliament has a different history. On the last occasion the House came down heavily against radical alteration.

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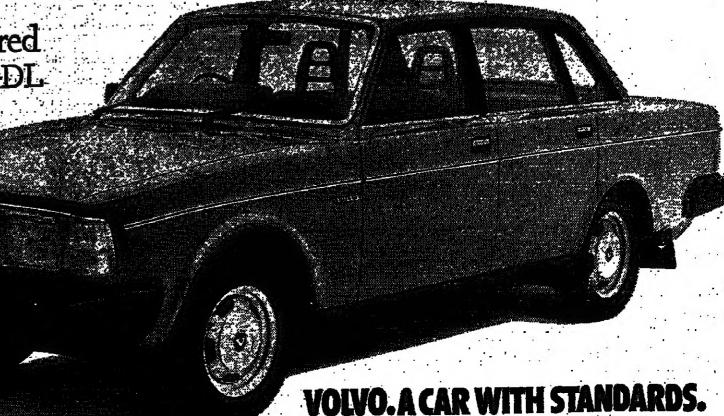
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Polish crisis intensifies Moscow war of words

Just as the Soviet invasion of ganda offensive. Party leaders underlines the importance with Czechoslovakia was preceded were particularly worried by which the Russians regard the by a sharp crack-down on the poor morale of the working maintenance of internal seculiberalism in the Soviet Union, class, by cynicism and lack of rity. So now the Polish crisis has motivation among young work led to a vigorous campaign ers, and by the dangers of dis number of Soviet invalidation. led to a vigorous campaign bere to reinforce ideological

orthodoxy.

Within the past month there have been several high-level meetings to discuss internal security and political moral, and calls have gone out in the press for greater vigilance.
There are clear signs of nervousness in the air. Intellectuals have reported renewed pressure on them to conform, and ordinary Russians are in-creasingly being warned not to have anything to do with foreigners. It is as if the Soviet leadership can see a tough period ahead, and it is preparing the Soviet population for the inevitable return to a

barsher climate. Concern over the crumbling Concern over the crumbling state of Soviet ideological defences was explicitly voiced at the Communist Party Congress in February, and followed earlier admissions that Soviet propaganda was no longer doing an effective iob in countering Western influence. The intractable situation in Poland has underlined this concern.

in press reaction

reluctantly, in a Soviet-led press campaign against what Moscow has called counter-revolution in Poland.

Czechosłovakia, Bulgaria and East Germany have been quick to etho recent Soviet attacks on

reformers in Poland's Com-munist Party while Hungary and Romania have been more muted in their comments on the

Polish crisis.

The one unifying point is a widespread belief in East Europe that Moscow scems ready to increase its criticism of Poland, according to western diplomats in the Soviet block. But they could not say whether this would lead to military intervention to half War-

tary intervention to halt War-

saw's reforms.

Hungary, which has been the most even handed in its comments on Poland, joined non-aligned Yugoslavia last week in emphasizing, the independence of each Communic Percent

of each Communist Party from

The statement, made during a visit by Mr Lazar Moisov, the Yugoslav party leader to Buda-

pest, seemed to be a veiled ex-pression of support for Warsaw.

Western diplomats in Buda-pest said it was unexpected, especially since a Hungarian

Polish crisis.

East Europe at variance

Vienna, June 8.—National commentary gave warning differences are emerging as against counter-revolution in East European states line up, Poland in late May and the some enthusiastically and some press has since reprinted

were particularly worried by the poor morale of the working class; by cynicism and lack of motivation among young workers, and by the dangers of disaffection on the Polish model

affection on the Polish model spreading.
Soviet trade unions have been ordered to play a more visible role in defending the interests of their members. President Brezhnev strongly criticized them at the Party Congress for nor showing enough initiative, and the press has publicized examples of union connivance in management malpractice. However, no substantial changes appear to be imminent, and the point clearly is to convince wor-kers that they are already adequately represented rather than to make the unions more.

autonomous.

The press has also spoken of increased dangers of western ideological subversion particu-larly by western radio broadcasts. Accusations are being made not only that the West-lies behind the instability in Poland, but also that the West. is trying to provoke a similar situation within the Soviet

Union. Two weeks ago Mr Brezhnev made an unusual appearance at a two-day conference of the leadership of the KGB security Several weeks ago the Party's Central Committee held an unpublicized meeting devoted to ideology at which it was decided to launch a propa-

tougher Soviet comments on Poland than usual

Romania which opposed the 1968 Warsaw Pact invasion of Czechoslovakia to end reforms

there, restated its view that there should be no intervention

in Poland in a speech by President Nicolae Ceausescu, last

week.
Although it disapproves of

the Solidarity free trade union, Bucharest has printed only positive reports about Poland

in its few press comments in

recent weeks.
The Czechoslovak press, one

of the most enthusiastic critics of what the Poles call their "renewal process", accused the Polish party last week of two cardinal communist sins.

The party daily Rude Pravo

said the Poles were admitting

into the party and not enough

workers, The Slovak party daily Pravida accused Polish politicians and Solidarity leaders of advocating the renegade Communist principles

number of Soviet intellectuals and cultural figures have had difficulties with the authorities. The author Anatoli Rybakov The author Anatoli Rybakov was recently prevented from travelling to Britain for the launching of his book, presumably because of his earlier outspoken remarks at the funeral of a fellow writer, Yuri Trifanov, about the difficulties and persecution he and his father endured.

Even the important art

Even the important art exhibition Moscow.Paris showing French and Russian post revolutionary avant-garde art is still considered too sensitive to allow open admission. Tickets are not on open sale. They are only available to those considered ideologic-ally trustworthy.

In a society where every facet of life is subject to political control, the slightest deviation from cultural orthodoxy assumes symbolic and

menacing importance.

The Central Committee is said to have been particularly upset at the high rate of defection by Soviet artists on tour. One source said that the Central Committee estimated that if exit visas were to be granted on demand, about 60 million people would apply to leave.

Watch kept on Soviet troop moves

From David Cross Washington, June 8

The United States continues to monitor developments in and around Poland attentively. State
Department officials today
repeated that Washington
remains confident that the
Poles are capable of solving
their problems without any outside interference.

"We will avoid any words or actions that might complicate their efforts and urge others to do likewise", the officials

added.
Washington's latest public statements on the delicate situation in Poland come after persistent reports that another round of Soviet military exer-cizes was imminent. A State Department spokesman acknow-ledged at the end of last week that it had heard the reports that was unable to confirm them.

The reports, first publicized by The New York Times, claimed that Moscow might be plauning enother set of military manneuvres to "intimidate" the Poles as their crucial party

congress approaches.

"In spite of propaganda from
the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia and East Germany that seeks to greate an opposite impression, the Polish people continue to work together in calm and dignity to solve their prob-

This appeared to be a reference to extensive press cover-age in parts of the East Euronean media of recent statements from the Katowice Forum a small hard-line Communist organization, alleging that antisocialist forces were taking over control of Poland with the support : of "international . im

perialist circles".

CONFIDENT WALESA FLIES HOME

From Alan McGregor Geneva, June 8

Mr Lech Walesa, the leader of Solidarity, the independent Polish trade union movement flew back to Warsaw today after a full week at the International Labour Conference here. He met trade union leaders from a majority of ILOs 145 member street. 145 member states.

" Difficult but not desperate ' was how be described the Polish situation before his departure. He said he had not bee orised by the convocation of to morrow's plenary meeting of the Polish Communist Party. He said there must be order in Poland—"and it is up to the Poles to do it." He was confident Solidarity could find appropriate solutions as it had

3,000 may have drowned in Indian rail disaster

Prasao, the Deputy Speaker of the Bihar State assembly, the Press Trust of India reported. Seven coaches of the pas-senger train plunged into the

coaches submerged in the river. at anywhere near 3,000, it will Mr Ram Vilas Paswan, an be by far the world's worst Opposition member of Parlia- transport accident.

ment, said in Delhi that more The previous highest number than 2,500 passengers were on of deaths in a single accident

dent was caused by the train's brakes being suddenly applied.

The Press Trust of India quoted its correspondent as saying the driver of the train braked to avoid hitting a buffalo on the track.

But Mr. M. S. C.

was more than 1.500 people lost when the Titanic sank. The worst train crash was a First vision agency Visnews, said World War troop train detailed bodies were still floating in the near Modane, France, in 1917, river when he visited the scene killing 543.—Reuter.



The bombing of Osirak

Iraq so proud of its nuclear technology

ment had entered into with fractor ensure that the reactor could not be used to manufacture nuclear weapons. Israel claimed last year that the supply of French-enriched uranium would give the Iraqis a nuclear capacity and Israel gave warning then—although few listened—that if the uranium shipments went ahead, it would have to "consider the next step".

The French, for their part, believed that the Israelis would never attack the reactor, partly for fear of damaging Israeli-French relations. With President Mitterrand now in power, however, the Israelis apparently were prepared to risk some harsh words from Paris.

reactor in operation would be

horrific, because the amount of

radioactive material scattered in

the debrit would be more than

.The attack on the new Osirak

research reactor, near comple-tion in Baghdad, would suggest

a pre-emptive strike to prevent

it becoming the source of nuclear weapons

This is the second research reactor to have been supplied to

Iraq by the French. It operates on about 24 kilogrammes (52.9 lb) of highly-enriched uranium

a year. The first reactor was a small: experimental 2 megawant

(2 MW) system. The new one is

a 70 MW type based on a design used by the French Atomic Energy Commission at Saclay. The significance of this lies

in the method of making weapons-grade material. It is a

matter well understood by the Israeli's since they used a research reactor of French origin to acquire their fissile

that from an atomic bomb.

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want to use atomic energy for peaceful purposes."

The French, however, believed that there were other, more physical and more biading guarantees that the plant would not be used to manufacture nuclear weapons. Under an agreement with the French Government, Iraq had to send back all its used uranium to

The most complicated part of the atomic industry is the manufacture of fuel. Iraq could not manufacture the necessary en-riched uranium and so France agreed to supply this fuel to the Baghdad Government—but only on condition that Iraq rewere prepared to risk some the Baghdad Government—but with France in favour of closer only on condition that frag recoperation with the Soviet tarsh words from Paris.

France agreed in 1975 to tarned the radiated uranium to Union, a long-established the construction of a 70 meganium would contain pluto the construction of a 70 meganium—which can be used for watt reactor were passed by nuclear weapons—and so Iraq rather than warmer in recent would therefore be deprived of months and the Israelis could even the temptation to make scarcely have believed that the stome of the same of the sam

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

The destruction of a nuclear the Osirak reactor operates on placing natural uranium rods eactor in operation would be highly-enriched uranium fuel, in one part of the core for

into weapons manufacture, could be more than enough reason for the Israeli's to act

reactor, after use would be returned to the French, who say it would be difficult to cheat by avoiding the technical methods of accounting for the proper use of the fuel and in the meantime secretly keeping

small amounts until a weapons

stockpile was built up.

There is no such hindrance to a slightly different approach, whereby plutonium is made in

the reactor.

Many Tesearch reactors, like the Cirus one in India, can produce sizable quantities of

The waste remaining in the

which could be diverted directly making plutonium.

were in operation in more than 40 countries.

A French official in Baghdad told The Times recently: "The technology for the civil use of nuclear energy is very different from the technology used to make a bomb. To make a nuclear bomb needs huge industrial plants and effort. Itan trial plants and effort. Iraq needs new sources of energy now before its oil and resulting wealth begin to run out. It could not even afford to make a bomb if it wants to maintain its economy in the years to

"Israel, South Africa and India are in a far more advantageous position to manufacture nuclear weapons and we have a good idea of their nuclear cap-abilities at the moment." The same official was less clear, however, on the poten-tial difficulties that could ensue if Iraq broke off its relations

The manufacture of enriched

uranium is an operation that can be fairly easily detected, since the established methods

call for large factories, though the development of the Anglo-

Durch German centrifuge system has opened the way for enrichment to be done more

can be done on a small scale. Recent contracts for nuclear

These are large chambers

remote-control instruments. The

laboratory hot cells.

Iraq's nuclear reactor can be seen clearly from the main road east of Baghdad, lying beside the Tigris river on the highway to Ctesiphon, a cluster of grey and yellow concrete half obscured by trees and a high, wire fence. The Israelis can have had no difficulty in in identifying it when they struck yesterday.

Less easy to identify, however, were the complex arrangement which the French Government had entered into with Iraq, to easure that the reactor the inverted that the reactor the inverted that the atomic bomb ", he said." We have no such programme for the Israelis to thwart we had entered into with Iraq, to easure that the reactor the inverted that the reactor the inverted that the nuclear plant for plutonium.

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"Then two years ago [in 1978], Israel and its supporters came up with a declaration saying Iraq is about to produce an atomic bomb. . ."

Iraq, the President said, was a signatory of the nuclear non-proliferation treaty. "Atomic energy", he said, "is everywhere... but we all know those people who want to use it for war". He claimed that Israel's nuclear plants at Dimonnuclear plants at Dimona were used for military purposes. Then he made a strange state-

ment—apparently theoretical but capable of considerable misinterpretation none the less: "The Zionists and their supporters used to work on the supporters used to work on the supposition that the Arabs were backward, people. But Arab nations are on the verge of a new age—they will successfully use atomic energy in industry ... millions of Arabs could use advanced weapons."

advanced weapons.

About three minutes later
President Husain asserted unequivocally that Iraq had "no programme for the manufacture of nuclear weapons".

Destruction of reactor would be Israel says attack was self-defence

readily.

Separation of plutonium from irradiated rods of uranjum by chemical methods materials and equipment placed by Iraq include an order made with Italy for statements to the contrary, for the production of atomic bombs. The goal for these bombs was Israel. This was explicitly stated produce sizable quantities of plutonium for explosives, using that look like fish-tanks and tuel. More than 50kg of plutonium-239 is estimated to have been extracted by 1980 fuel elements are stripped from the 40MW reactor in from their containers, using ladia. It takes 8kg for a bomb, remote-control instruments. The by the Iraqi ruler. After the Iranians slightly damaged the reactor, (Iraqi President)
Saddam Husain remarked thatit was pointless for the Iranians to attack the reactor because it was being built against Israel

alone.

The atomic bombs that this reactor would have been capable of producing, with curiched uranium or plutonium, were of the type dropped on Hiroshima. In this way a danger to Israel's existence was being produced. Highly reliable sources gave us two dates for the completion of the reactor and its operation: the first the beginning of July 1981, the second the beginning of September this year.

to defend ourselves against the construction of an atomic bomb in Iraq which itself would not

were active on the reactor would not be there on the Christian day of rest. This

against the people of Israel.-

Baghdad accuses Iran of connivance Pici

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From Our Own Commended Beirut, Jame 8 Only after the Israelis an nounced their air strike on the Baghdad nuclear plant did Iraq Baghdan nuclear plant the assault that taken place, saying that nine "Zionist enemy war, planes" raided the installations and describing it as "a perfidious operation" in which

Iran connived.

Iran and Iraq have been at war for the past 10 months and when Iranian Phantom aircraft attacked the Baghdad nuclear reactor last autumn, the Iraqis claimed that the Israelis had

taken part.
Almost the entire statement from Iraq's Revolutionary Council was taken up with a joint arrack on Israel and Iran and at no point did it sugges that the Israelis had delivered a powerful blow not only against the country's nuclear energy potential but against Iraq's military prestige as well Iraq's military prestige as well.
Sunday's attack, it said, "exposed an important and basic reason why the suspect regime in Iran decided to wage war against Iraq and to extend the war for 10 months despite all the efforts exerted to end it to an honourable and just basis."

The statement claimed the

The statement claimed that Israel—which it always referred to as "the Zionist enrity"—had been supplying Iran with military assistance and intelligence advice, "The Zionist entity realizes," it went on, "that the most decisive factor in its future conflict with the Arab nation is to keep wide the technical and scientific gap between the Arab nation and itself. It therefore resorts by all means to kee pthis gap within such limits that the Arab nation cannot achieve a stan-dard of effective war manage-ment against it."

Israel, the statement said, had "more than once directly and indirectly, joined in the war with Iran against Iran."

with Iran against Iraq."
The Iraqis said later that the Israeli raid took place at 15.37 GMT but they gave no indica-tion whether Iraqi jet fighters had been scrambled in an attempt to shoot down the

Israeli planes. If the Israeli aircraft flew over Jordan in their long-range operation—and that is certainly the most likely route they would have taken—then King Husain is also going to have to explain to President Husain how his air defences failed to detect the intruders. It will certainly do nothing for Jordanian-Iraqi

The first reaction in the Arab world outside Iraq came in Egypt where the state television Egypt where the state television interrupted its programmes this afternoon to report the news of the raid. A news-reader quoted a statement by Mr Kamal Hassan Alv, the Egyptian Foreign Minister, who described the Israeli raid as "irresponsible and unjustified".

In fact the Egyptians can only

In fact the Egyptians can only the deeply embarrassed by the attack. President Sadar's enemies will lose no chance of suggesting that Mr Begin, the Israeli Prime Minister, forwarned him of the attack when the two men met last Thursday. At no time in its statement did the Iraqi revolutionary Command Council say that the actor (unofficial translation) nuclear reactor was intended only for peaceful purposes. On

Urgency is added to Khalid visit

the existence of the plant. How-

ever, this should not be re-garded as proof

By David Spanier Diplomatic Correspondent Discussions on the Middle East situation during the state wist to Britain by king Khalid of Saudi Arabia, which starts today, have been given a new urgency by the Israeli attack.
The consequences of the attack on a close neighbour of Saudi Arabia are bound to be taken with the utmost serious ness by the Saudi Government, which is looking to British support in the Middle East during Lord Carrington's presidency of

the European Community starting next month.

King Khalid, who is accompanied by Prince Sultan, his Defence Minister, and Prince Saud, his Foreign Minister, is particularly anxious to bear how Britain sees the next stage of the European diplomatic effort in the Middle East.

Mr Winston Churchill, the Conservative MP. yesterday begrouply supported the Israeli attack.

"I think Israel was absolutely right to take the law into its own hands." Mr Churchill suid last night. "Israel had no

alternative but to take out the Iraci nuclear capability."

-Mr Churchill, who has been an outspoken critic of the previous French. Government in supplying nuclear material to Iraq, laid the blame squarely on Paris. on Paris.

Moscow: Soviet television's

evening news programme said that the United States State Department had unnounced that the "Israelis informed President Reagan yesterday about their attack at the atomic reactor." The State Department "pointed out that according to availforeign expert was hurt.

Two European governments were helping the Iraqi dictator in return for oil to manufacture nuclear weapons. Open active intormation, the Israelis used for this attack on Iraq sircraft supplied by the United States. A White House spokes man "has confirmed that President Reagan was information, the Israelis used for this attack on Iraq sircraft supplied by the United States." A White House spokes man "has confirmed that President Reagan was information, the Israelis used for this attack on Iraq sircraft supplied by the United States." A White House spokes man "has confirmed that President Reagan was information," the Israelis used for this attack on Iraq sircraft supplied by the United States." A White House spokes man "has confirmed that President Reagan was information," the Israelis used for this attack on Iraq sircraft supplied by the United States." A White House spokes man "has confirmed that President Reagan was information," the Israelis used for this attack on Iraq sircraft supplied by the United States." A White House spokes man "has confirmed that President Reagan was information," the Israelis used for this attack on Iraq sircraft supplied by the United States. able information, the Israelis the Israeli air strike," Soviet television added.

Amman: King Hussin of Jordan dennunced the attack On no account shall we per-mit an enemy to develop and said that Israel is expand-weapons of mass destruction ing its sphere of aggression in the Arab world " (Reuter reports).

Leadership backed by Bonn for intellectuals

By Richard Davy and Dessa Trevisan, Warsaw, June 3 A group of 22 prominent intellectuals issued a statement States and the Soviet Union will today intended to support the shortly start preliminary talks party leadership and correct to prepare negotiations on talse impressions of the Polish medium range nuclear missiles situation conveyed, they say, by the media of East and West. The only way our of the deep

economic, social and political and moral crisis is the process of renewal in their view. This process must be based on truth and the open expression of The Polish people, the state-

deeply unfair. Of course, a process of dynamic change and deep crisis cannot run smoothly or without pain, which is why some extreme or false views are expressed. But no responsible person in

Poland wants the disintegration cruise of the party or state apparatus. Nor is there any group regarded Left as important by public opinion which wants bad relations with Poland's neighbours or unfriendly gestures towards the Soriet Union.

Never before, the statement adds. has the propositions

adds, has the governing party stood before such a great chance to build a programme acceptable to everyone for the development of Poland. However, the statement serves warning that irrational forces could be unleashed by despair if renewal and reform are stopped. If the hopes of the nation were wiped out there could be massive protests

RUSSIA AND US START **GRAIN TALKS** By Our Diplomatic ... Correspondent

Talks opened in London yesterday between American and Soviet officials on resuming grain sales from the United States. The meeting, held at the Soviet trade centre, was the first direct negotiations between the two countries since President Reagan took office.

An embargo on grain exports to the Soviet Union was imposed by President Carter 18 months ago in protest against the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan President Reagan, who made it clear in the election campaign that he disagreed with the policy hecause it placed an unfair burden on American farmers, lifted the ban in April. Four to six million tonnes of grain are expected to be shipped this year.

of Leon Trotsky. East Germany pitched in with support for a hardline Polish Communist group hailed by Moscow but denounced by the Warsaw leadership.—Reuter. Welcome in missile move

The news that the United States and the Soviet Union will was today warmly welcomed by the West German Government, under strong pressure from a rapidly growing anti-missile

movement.

A spokesman for the Foreign Ministry said the move showed that the United States seriously intended to stand by its commitment to start negotiations in the near future. The opposition Christian Description of the start negotiation in the near future. ment continues, have given so the near future. The opposition much proof of their caution that accusations of anarchy are welcomed the news. welcomed the news.
Doubts that the United States

Doubts that the United States really intended to negotiate a balanced reduction of the number of missiles has been fuelling an increasingly vociferous movement against the Nato plan to deploy Pershing II and cruise missiles to counterbalance the Soviet SS20s.

Left wingers and pacifists outside and inside the two coalition parties suspected that the United States was more interested in regaining superiority over the Soviet Union in this field.

Leading article, page 13

From Patricia Clough Bonn; June 8

Leading article, page 13 done in August last year ".

Delhi, June 8.—The death toll in the train disaster in the north Indian state of Bihar could be more than 1,000 and might reach 3,000, two Indian officials said in separare statements roday.

A Bihar magistrate told reporters more than 1,000 people could have been killed, while the figure might be up to 3,000, according to Mr Gaiendra Prasao, the Deputy Speaker of the Bihar State assembly, the

senger train plunged into the Bagmati river on Saturday and Indian Navy divers were still recovering bodies from the river today. The Bihar state government said 119 bodies had been recovered and the search was continuing

was continuing.
Many bodies were still believed to be trapped inside

Mr Surinder Kapoor, cameraman of the international tele-vision agency Visnews, said bodies were still floating in the

But Mr M. S. Gujaral, chairman of the Indian Railway Board, said yesterday the train was blown into the river during

If the death toll is confirmed

actor was delivered to Iraq under an agreement signed with the French Government in 1974. It provided for the construction by France of a nuclear research centre, including the reactor, and the training of Iraqi tech-nicians to operate it.

The reactor was not operational at the time of the raid, and had not been charged with fuel. The risk of radioscrive pollution, according to French sources, is therefore remore.

time that the raid had been planned by Israel Two years ago, when parts of the reactor were being as-sembled near Marseilles it was seriously damaged by a bomb attack, and delivery was attack, delayed.

The French technicians. according to an anaouncement by the Quai d'Orsay on April 27, returned to Tanmuz six

From Charles Hargrove, Paris, June 8

French secrecy over contract

Industry (as he was), told re-porters that it had caused little Industry (as he was), told reporters that it had caused little damage. Atomic Energy Authority in Vienna. to whose regular, on the sport contribution on the controls the Iraqi Government agreed to submit stated on its that the core of the reactor was last inspection at Tanmur that built to resist bombing.

All French inclear power against misuse of the contract and the impact of a crashing lumbo jet. French experts say it is impossible to cause a nuclear explosion by bombing a tractor. The only danger is the first and will be the lear explosion by bombing a tractor. The only danger is the of this type to be delivered to a foreign country. A contract for another, in addition to two

33 per cent enriched urunium, which has given rise to charges that the fuel supplied for the reactor could be diverted by Iraq for military uses.
Some of the French techni-

cians say it is more difficult to produce uranium for military purposes from highly-enriched uranium, such as that used in Osirak than from natural uranium. Others say the step from 93 per cent to 100 per cent enriched uranium is tech-nically a small one. The crucial issue on which

The Osirak experimental re- months later to resume works the French Atomic. Energy This involved all the finishing Authority has never given a touches, including electrical and clean answer is whether the electronic justallations, the con-agreement with Iraq, the tech-trol of the nuclear charge, and nical details of which have rethe security system, in which tracis were being trained.

French experts do not believe that the plant was destroyed, as claimed by the Israelis, in the raid on Sunday. After the attorn the French Minister for The International Atomic Tracks (1881) was a proposed. but also the risk of misappropri-ation of this charge for military purposes.

The International Atomic Energy Authority in Vienna to

In order to avoid laying itself

Jerusalem. June 8.-The attack on the Iraqi atomic re-The Israeli Air Force yesterday attacked and destroyed the form of words that its Osirak nuclear reactor which is "effective war management" near Baghdad. All our planes could have been improved by returned home safely

returned home safely.

The Government finds itself obligated to explain to enlighten public opinion why it decided on this special operation.

For a long time, we have followed with grave concern the construction of the Osirak nuclear reactor. Sources of unquestioned reliability told us that it was intended, despite

Obtaining uranium-235 or plutonium-239 in sufficient concentration for a weapon is the first hurdle. The fact that

year.

Within a short time, the Iraqi reactor would have been in operation and hot. It such conditions, no Israeli government could have decided to blow it up. This would have caused a huge ways of radio caused a huge wave of radio-activity over the city of Baghdad and its innocent citizens would have been

We were, therefore, forced In trad which user would not have hesitated to use it against. Israel and its population centres.

Therefore, the Israeli Government of the control of the c

Therefore, the Israeli Government decided to act without further delay to ensure the safety of our people.

The planning was precise. The operation was set for Sunday on the assumption that the 100 to 150 foreign experts who were active on the reactor.

nuclear weapons. Once again we call on them to desist from this terrible and inhuman act.

The raid against the Tamuz Research Centre was planned to comcide with the long Whitsun holiday weekend of the 150 French technicians working on the site. No one was killed or injured. The technicians were withdrawn after a raid on Sep-tember 30 last year, eight days after the outbreak of the Iraq-Iran war, by Phantom aircraft which were never clearly identiwhich were never clearly identi-

It was said that they belonged to the Iranian Air Force, but there were suspicious at the

to a foreign country. A contract The Osirak reactor core is of for another, in addition to two megawatt reactors for

900 megawatt reactors nuclear power stations had been signed with the Iranian Govern-ment before the revolution, but was cancelled by the new autho-

open to United States and Israeli criticism, France will deliver experimental reactors. of a type which is being develor a type which uses 20 per-oped, and which uses 20 per-cent enriched uranium, an implicit recognition of the potential dangers involved in the Osirak type,

Ayatollah threatens to

From Tony Allaway, Tehran, June 8

Avarollah Khomeini, the several hundred Bani-Sadr sup-

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Iranian leader today threatened

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Pretoria requests Washington to supply uranium

From Our Own Correspondent, Washington, June 8

asked the United States to resupplying enriched uranium, according to a leaked memorandum, a copy of which has been given to The Times.

Supplies of enriched uranium, which South Africa requires for a research reactor near Pretoria and a big new nuclear power station which the French are building at Koeberg, near Cape Town, were sus-pended by the Carter admin-istration in 1976 because of South Africa's refusal to sign the Nuclear Non-Profileration Treaty and agree to inter-national safeguards.

The request for a resumption of supplies, according to the South African memorandum, was made during last month's visit to Washington by Mr R F Botha, the South African Formula of South African Fo Botha, the South African For-eign Minister. The memoran-dum was one of a number of confidential documents dealing with United States—South African relations which have been mysteriously leaked during

So far the Reagan Administration has maintained the same line as its predecessor on the nuclear fuel question, in-sisting that South Africa must sign the Non-Proliferation Treaty. However, there are signs that the two countries are moving towards an agreement which will permit supplies to be resumed.

After last month's visit by Mr Botha the Americans agreed to extend by three months a
May 31 deadline under which
South Africa was to have supplied 300,000 kilgrammes of
uranium for processing in the United States.

The fact that this extension

South Africa has formally has been granted is seen as an indication that a solution to the political questions arising from nuclear cooperation between the United States and South Africa may be near. The matter is expected to be discussed when Mr William Clark, Deputy Under Secretary of State, visits Pretoria this week for talks on a Namibian settle-

> Under an agreement signed in 1974 the United States undertook to supply South Africa with small quantities of high enriched uranium for its "Safari one" research reactor

almost ceased operating carlier this year. It has been enabled to keep going because South Africa can now produce 45 per cent enriched uranium.
The Koeberg power station
will not, however, be able to
start operations next year unless American supplies are
resumed. The memorandum
stresses that a delay would be
very costly for South Africa.

The issue of nuclear cooperation is a highly sensitive one because it raises the question of South Africa's capability to pro-duce nuclear weapons. In the memorandum the South African Government states that its nuclear programme is for peaceful purposes only and "at no time has she tested a nuclear

However, because of the "Soviet threat" South Africa had refused to sign the Non Proliferation Treaty.

Coloured students plan Cape schools boycott

Johannesburg, June 8.—Col- Parliamentary opposition, have ourced student representatives called for an official inquiry in the Cape area have decided to start a classroom boycott

beginning tomorrow. A spokesman for the students said it was intended as a protest against the expulsion of pupils, the closure of schools

and police brutality. He said the authorities must reinstate all expelled students and reopen all schools closed after last year's violent protests in which more than 40 people weere killed.

Meanwhile, attendance today at the Chris Jan Botha high school, in western Joannesburg, where violence erupted last week, was 90 per ceint, the principal said. Other schools in the area reported lower levels, but a teacher said this was possibly due to parent fears of further trouble.

of further trouble.

A police spokesman said today that only one complaint had been lodged about police brutality during the unrest in Johannesburg last week.

Coloured leaders and the guarantees for white and other Progressive Federal Party, the minorities

after police used teargas, rub-ber whips and dogs against students who were protesting at the arrest of one of their

Police said they would investigate any allegations of brurality, but the spokesman said that so far the only complaint was from the wife of a Coloured school principal who said she had been hit with a

Mr William Clark, the United States Deputy Secretary of State, is expected to meet Mr P. W. Botha, the Prime Minister, during a quick visit to South Africa starting on Wednesday, diplomatic sources said today (Reuter reports from

Johannesburg).
Mr Clark will fly from Cape
Town to Windbook, the Nami-

Landslide win for Nkomo's party in Bulawayo election

Patriotic Front party has won a landslide victory in polis to elect the first black majority council in Zimbabwe's second

city.
Although Bulawayo is the party's stronghold, the election provided an impressive display of its support. It won almost 90 per cent of the votes cast and took all 15 seats. In only three wards did candidates of the ruling Zanu (PF) party take more than a tenth of the vote. After two days of polling, an excited crowd gathered outside the City Hall as counting started. Late into the night Mr Jan Edmeades, the Town Clerk, came out on to the balcony with the candidates to announce the results which were greeted by partisan roars for each Patriotic Front victory.

The elections had twice been

Mr Joshua Nkomo's minority between former guerrilla supporters of the two parties but no incidents were reported over the weekend and the poll was conducted in an atmosphere of good humour.

Commenting on the result, Mr John Chikwanhere, provin-cial chairman of Zanu (PF), said: "The PF has won and we wish them luck." He expected the 15 new black councillors, who will join eight whites, to fulfil the people's wishes by Africanizing the city".

Mr Nkomo was not in Bula-wayo for the elections but the result was telephoned to him in Salisbury by his party's national organizing secretary.

The number of votes cast for Zanu (PF) was almost matched by those for independent candidates aligned to Bishop Abel Muzorewa's United African cancelled because of fighting National Council

Britons sweep Tony Awards on Broadway From John Heilpern New York, June 8

Britons dominated Broadway's thirty-lifth Tony Awards last night in New York, rein-forcing the impression that the

best of Broadway theatre is imported from London. Even Gilbert and Sullivan indirectly won an award this year for Pirates of Penzance in a category called "Outstanding Reproduction of Play or Musical", However, it was the National Theatre's production Amadeus, of Amadeus, Mr Peter Schaffer's play about Mozart and his rival Salieri, which swept the board.

It won Best Actor for Ian McKellen who beat his English to-star. Thin Currey; Best Play for its author. Mr Peter Schaffer; Best Direction for Sir Peter Hall; and two awards, Best Set Design and Lighting, for Mr John Bury.

The surprise of the evening was the Best Actress award to

The surprise of the evening was the Best Actress award to Jame Lapotaire for her outstanding performance in Plat, which began life as a small Royal Shakespeare production. The play had mixed reviews in New York, and Miss Lapotaire was competing in the Tonys' against Glenda Jackson and Elizabeth Taylor.

It was thought that if the

It was thought that if the award did not go to Miss Jackson, as awards tend to do, sentiment would propel it towards Miss Taylor for her appearance in Lillian Hellman's Liela Royae

warus miss laylor for her appearance in Lillian Hellman's Little Foxes.

Miss Taylor later had to content herself with presenting the Best Musical award to Mr David Merrick for his lavish production, 42nd Street, Unfortunately, while doing so, she began to deliver what sounded like her own acceptance speech for the Best Actress award she had just lost. Miss Taylor struggled on, gamely.

Each year the Tony Awards have a theme and this year it was the somewhat coy one of "A Salute to Women in the Theatre", which led to other amusing moments. When Mr Bury shambled on stage to receive his Best Set award, so overwhelming had been the tributes to theatrical ladies that he apologised for his presence with the words: "I am sorry I am not a woman. I'd have liked to have heen.

am sorry I am not a woman. I'd have liked to have been Not surprisingly, given the theme of the evening, Lauren Bacall was voted Best Musical actress for her role in the new A special Tony, created virtually by public demand was given to the legendary singer Lena Horne who, in a moment of old-style Broadway razzama.

of old-style Broadway razzama-tazz, brought the audience to its feet cheering. One of her fans had collected 20,000 sig-natures demanding that justice be done. "I don't know if the award means anything to her," he said, "but it sure means a lot to me."

This year's awards have been the subject of some contro-versy. In a poor artistic season for Broadway (though a record one financially), many of the shows nominated for awards had already closed.

Only one American play, Landford Wilson's Fifth of July, had a Best Play nomination. Even the musicals, traditionally the stronghold of Broadway, were comprised of revivals or, in the cases of Woman of the Year and 42nd Street, of adaptations of ald

films.

So the evening belonged to Britain and to its classic repertory system in the form of Amadeus, Jane Lapotaire, and Ian McKellen. Mr McKellen's role as Salieri in Amadeus was originally played in England by Paul Schofield. The Tony is his fourth award since he came with the nlay to Broadway.

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INSCRUTABILITY OVER BISHOP

Peking, June & Spokesmen for the Roman Catholic Church in China reacted cautiously to the Pope's appointment of Mgr Dominic Tang, a bishop, in the Chinese church, as Archbishop of Canton (David Bonavia writes).
"We must see how the

"We must see non-Vatican's words accord with its deeds", said one priest. "We have to bear in mind the Vatican's past actions." The Chinese church is officially at loggerheads with the Vatican over appointments.

US and Mexico differ on Salvador

stration's main foreign policy priorities has been to devise a new policy towards Central American and the Caribbean, that volatile area on the United States' doorstep where America sees its "legitimate" interests heing increasingly challenged by the Soviet Union and Cuba. Developments in Central America, and in particular the unrest in El Salvador, will be one of the leading items on the agenda when President Reagan and other members of his Administration hold two days of talks with President José Lopez

Portillo of Mexico. President Portillo arrived in Washington last night and spent most of today conferring with President Reagan and Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of State, at Camp David. The warmin of the reception extended to the Mexican leader, which included a welcoming ceremony at the White House with full military honours, reflects the importance United States attaches to relations with Mexico-once considered an impoverished neighhour but now the United States' third largest trading partner and a main supplier of oil.

One of the Reagan Admini- Mexico have markedly differ- meeting at Ciudad Juarez last ent attitudes towards Central America, and to El Salvador in particular. President Portillo is opposed to any intervention in the area by either the Soviet President Portillo is expected Union or the United States and to issue an official invitation to Union or the United States and

> The United States; on the other hand, is more concerned with combating what it sees as a steady increase of Soviet and Cuban-backed insurgency in the area. It is giving military assistance to the El Salvador regime and believes that elections rather than negotiation are the only effective way of

officials do not expect the two leaders to reach a common viewpoint on Central America, particularly in view of President Portillo's friendship with President Fidel Castro of Cuba and his support for the ance redressed. Sandinista regime in Nicaragua. However, it is hoped that the wants Mexico, the world's good relationship which Mr fourth largest oil producer, to largest trading partner good relationship which our touris largest oil producer, to main supplier of oil. Reagan and Señor Portillo agree to export more oil to the United States and developed during an earlier United States.

The conference is seen as an important part of President Portillo's attempts to increase the flow of aid and technology to the under developed coun-

Other matters which the two leaders are discussing include trade, oil illegal immigration and President Reagan's suggestion for a "North American accord" between the United States, Mexico and Canada. American Mexican, trade is worth around £14,000m a year, but the balance, is more than £1,200m in the United States favour. Mexico wants this bal-

For its part the United States



The Las Dure relugee camp, northern Somalia, home for 50,000.

Hunger and hope in Somalia

By Our Foreign Staff

The one and a half million refugees in Somalia still face starvation and disease in the desert country of the Horn of Africa where there are no railway lines and too few lorries or drivers.

Those suffering most are the refugees in the six camps in the porth of the country, about 1,000 miles from Mogadishu, where there are almost no roads and help has been slow

But at least they now have hope. A German relief organzation called Emergency Doctors for Somalia last month began work in the Dam camp, and this month sent a team of doctors to the transit camp of Tug Wajale on the Ethiopian

The doctors and nurses are all unpaid and each day must cope with 250 new refugees arriving either on foot or with their last donkey or camel.

They are suffering from mal-nutrition: As in other-camps, most of the refugees are women and children. The men are away fighting for the Western Somalia Libera-tion Front, or have already

In Dam camp, which has been in existence for three years, the victous circle of poor water sup-plies spreading disease is par-ticularly drastic.

Already the death rate among children has been drastically reduced. But the future looks



A mother and child facing starvation and disease

Prince Charles in Paris for a charity ball

From Charles Hargrove, Paris, June 8

The Prince of Wales arrived purchased for the Crown by the in Paris this evening to attend. Duke of Wellington at the end a charity ball given at the of the Napoleonic wars.

residence of the British It was originally planned that Prince Charles would call Mountbatten Foundation and on President Mitterrand this the United World Colleges. Lord Mountbatten created the sible for the arrangements overlooked the fact that every personal interest in them.

Mitterrand has made a sort of Mitterrand

The proceeds of the evening The proceeds of the evening secular pilgrimmage at Whitsun will go to provide scholarships to the rock of Solutré, near for French students who attend Cluny, in Burgundy. courses at the colleges.

Some disappointment was expressed in Paris that Lady Diana Spencer had not been able to grace the occasion.

'Although What Monday is a public holiday in this country, friendly gestures by the new and therefore not the most suitable date for bringing Mitterrand will make a point together everyone who matters of returning to Paris earlier in France, some 600 people than originally intended, in accepted the invitation to the Palace of Pauline Borghese, early tomorrow morning.

evening, before the ball. But members of his staff respon-

called the Prime Minister-designate, Signor Arnoldo Foriani, to the palace today to impress on him the need to speed formation of a new For some days now the President has seen it as his

constitutional duty to impress on the politicians the urgency of the business of giving the country a fully fuctioning administration.

administration.

Signor Forlani suffers from a reputation for taking a casual approach to political life and has several times been shown

available choice for the prime ministership. He has made a habit of praising him warmly

in public.

Progress is still extremely slow on Signor Forlani's plan of bringing together five parties in his next coalition. His idea is to create an administration like the one which fell from under him last month.

An indication of the continuing amosphere of tension is

an indicaton of the continu-ing atmosphere of tension is provided by the case of Senator Gaetano Stammati, a former minister who was taken to hospital yesterday in confused cir-cumstances. He had been invol-ved in the scandai of the P2 First reports suggested he had tried to kill himself and, although the family denies this, there are continued references today to the obscure touches such as the use of a false name at the hospital.

Rome, June 8

President Alessandro Pertini

in the press vawning during his consultations.

The President nevertheless has a high opinion of him and has frequently shown that he feels Signor Forlant the best

in effect to strip President Bani-Sadr of his powers if he "Resistance, resistance" side Tehran University. continued his political war with On a day of scattered clashes Terry Lamb, a British On a day of scattered clashes Tehran in the wake of the through the city with a colin Tehran in the wake of the closure of six newspapers yes-terday, the ayatollah ordered a

porters near the city bazaar and

another small group chanting

through the city with a col-league during some of the clashes, said they saw women wailing round the body of one youth who had apparently been shot. "We couldn't tell whether he was dead or not," he said. Outside Tehran University, Mr Lamb said, a group chased and stoned two youths. When complete ban on disruptive speeches and demonstrations and forbade any strikes by In a speech carried by the state radio the ayatollah said: "If this goes on any longer I will not sit and advise you. I

and stoned two youths. When one of the youths, a Bani-Sadr Supporter, eventually emerged under arrest "you couldn't see his face for blood," he said.

But the relatively small size of the protest demonstrations was an embarrassment for the President's supporters, who had will get up and cut off your hands." In Persian this phrase is taken to mean stripping some-Raising his voice in anger. President's supporters, who had called for a public show of

the ayatoliah alluded to a claim Mr Bani-Sadr made last night that the country was heading towards dictatorship, though he did not mention him by name. He said: "You call this dictatorship because you want to With the President's own paper, Islamic Revolution, off the streets indefinitely, his ne said: Tou can this died-torship because you want to disobey parliament and the prosecutor...You saw what I did to Muhammad Reza Shah. I superiers today issued limited copies of a special four-page newsheet in his name. Some newsvendors stuck the copies to their stalls for people to will do the same to you if you do not obey the Islamic Parlia-ment; Islamic prosecutor and

read.

It carried a speech the President gave in the western ciry of Hamedan yesterday, in which he urged Iran's youth to "stand firm against all the violations of the law (and) resist tendencies towards despotism.

At this crucial juncture there is no way to save the country but to have A conciliatory call to the President and other moderates to return to the bosom of the law and Islam did little to ameliorate what sounded like the avacollah's final warning on As he spoke bursts of gunfire save the country but to have fortitude."

were beard in the streets of the In spite of his brave words it is clear that so far the President is very much on the losing end in the present capital as Revolutionary Guards fired in the air to disperse demonstrations for and against the President. Eyewitnesses said that tear gas was used against struggle.

Suzuki looks for stronger political ties with Europe

From Peter Hazelburst, Tokyo, June 8

to discuss any contentious trade issue when be arrives in Europe later this week to meet the leaders of West Germany, Italy, Belgium, Britain, The Netherlands and France.

He flies to Hamburg tomorrow with the objective of convincing West Europeans that the Japanese are not merely "economic animals" as they were once described by the late Mr Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, the former Pakistani

"I will not discuss any specific trade issues, such as Japanese car exports. Instead, I would like to discuss the means of improving Japan's political ries with Europe when I meet the leaders of these countries." Mr Suzuki told journalists today.

journalists today. He went op to point out that be rewhile Japan, the world's second leading industrial power, had ions. established firm and substan-tial ties with the Uhited States, his Government was dissatisfied with Tokyo's links with West-

ern Europe.

I am going to Europe with a specific purpose of improving our political relations. Western Europe, the United States and Japan have a common basis for strong trilateral links: freedom and democracy. I firmly be-lieve the time has come for the United States, West Europe and Japan to band together under these difficult circumstances, to work for the peace and stability of the world." He said he would inform Mrs

Mr Zenko Suzuki, the Japan that an economically strong ese Prime Minister, declared Japan was willing to play a today that he does not intend to discuss any contentious national affairs. But he stressed that his country had no intention of increasing its military strength to take on a greater responsibility for the security of Asia.

a peaceful nation Japan cannot build up its armed forces beyond our requirements for defence. Our constitution for-

bids this. He made it clear that he had a forthright message for European leaders if the embarrasing subject of Japan's trade surplus with the EEC or the threat of protectionism was raised during the 10-day visit.
"I have no intention of discussing each specific economic issue with European leaders. I

will leave those matters to offi-cials. But I believe these eco-nomic and trade problems must be resolved by expanding trade rather than introducing restric-"If West Europe, which up-holds freedom, democracy and free trade, resorts to protection-ism I am afraid it will mean

suicide for the West", Mr Suzuki declared in a somewhat candid appraisal for a Japanese He conceded that Japan's trade surplus with the EEC had

risen to an alarming level last year but said he would ask European leaders to resolve the problem by increasing their exports to Japan.

"Japanese markets are not as closed as they seem. In fact, we impose less restrictions than the United States or most countries in Europe", he said. Thatcher and the other leaders

ALGERIAN LEADER IN MOSCOW

President Chadli Benjedid of Algeria arrived here today on an official visit which is expected to consolidate the Soviet Union's recent attempts to play a more active role in the Middle East.

The Algerian leader; on his

first visit here since taking office, was met at the airport by President Brezhnev and other Soviet leaders and later began talks in the Kremlin. The Russians had close relations with President Bou-medienne, his predecessor, and supported his policies. Moscow is not so enthusiastic about President Benjedid's more prag-matic relations with the West and his warming relationship with the United States, and have instead developed closer relations with Libya.
The Russians will try

decision Wellington, June 8 .- A departmental inquiry has cleared the New Zealand Civil Aviation Authority of blame for the crash in Antarctical in 1979 of an 'Air New Zealand 'DC10, in

NZ crash

died. The inquiry was prompted by criticisms of the Civil Aviation Division (CAD) of the Ministry of Transport by a Royal commission which studied the crash.

which all 257 people on board

One main criticism was that CAD did not ensure the DC10 had a map of the planned route. The departmental inquiry said it was the responsibility of the airline and not CAD to supply the material.

A main reason for the crash has been held to have been a change in flight route map coordinates, about which crew was not told.—Reuter.

India asks Pakistan to forget the past From Hasan Akhtar, Islamabad, June 8

impress on the Algerians the need for an international con-ference on the Middle East.

Mr Narasimah Rao, the Indian External Affairs Minister, arrived here today from Delhi for talks with Mr Agha Shabi, the Pakistan Eoreign Minister, in an attempt to undertake what officials here described as a picion on Pakistan's efforts to procure American arms for its.

In a statement on his arrival Mr Rao made a strong plea that the two countries forget the which have marked their relationship during the last 30 years. He said India was sincere in its wish to give fresh chance to rebuild ties between the two

countries on a cordial basis. The Pakistan press has unani-mously welcomed the visit which comes almost exactly a year after a similar visit to India by the Pakistan Foreign Minister, but the Government-controlled

the matter is that there is a Afghanistan had created new world of difference between the tension on its western borders. perceptions of the two countries on a number of important bilateral and regional issues, particularly the present Pakistani efforts to procure American confidence-building exercise arms and the Afghanistan India is looking with great sus- crisis." India has maintained that

injection of new arms into Pakistan would lead to further strains between the two past three armed conflicts. On the Afghanistan question, India maintains, it should be resolved politically between Kabul and ts two immediate neighbours, Pakistan and Iran, without globalizing the Soviet military

presence. Pakistan bas repeatedly asserted that it was made to re equip its forces because the American ban on sale of arms to Pakistan over the last 15 years has rendered most of its

Both sides recognize that steps on the road to détente are necessarily small and tentative (Trevor Fishlock writes from Delbi). Three wars in 34 years, the sore of Kashmir, long periods of open hatred and the broad bitter background to partition have created a relationship whose main characteristic is suspicion.

Today: that -relationship is aggravated by the anxiety each side has about the other's nuclear capability and intentions, by the Russian occupation of Afghanistan, and the pro-posed American military and economic aid package for Pakis Mr Rao hopes to apply some

balm by giving assurances to both President Zia and to Mr Agha Shahi, the Foreign Minister, that India has no warlike covered evidence of a consider. Pakistan Times, in an article military equipment obsolete intentions towards Pakistan and able fraudulent trade in butter. today, stated: "The truth of and the Soviet intervention in wants a better relationship.

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington, June 8-

ending the violence there.

American and Mexican

have a greater understanding of each other's policies.

During his Washington visit

tween the ruling military southern Mexico during Octobercivillan junta and left-wing on north-south dialogue. President Reagan has indicate the Government. Castro does not.

Border raid reported · put £6m by Chinese From David Watts

Singapore, June 8 The Chivese said a force of The Chinese said a force of Vietnamese, the size of a battalion, crossed their border early yesterday under cover of artillery fire. The Guangming Daily newspaper said the Vietnamese were forced to flee in panic after a Chinese counter-attack from the Fakashan area.

The Vietnamese did not mention the alleged incident in evening news broadcasts today on the Voice of Vietnam, but said the Chinese shelled Vietnamese border areas on the

namese border areas on the first three days of this month. According to the radio, the Chinese continued to attack and occupy areas in Lang Son pro-vince and in one incident fired 1,200 mortar and artillery rounds, killing and wounding

six civilians. In an attack in Harpin pro-vince Chinese shells were said to have hir residential areas and orimary and junior high schools in Frangshui district. There was no mention of casualties. Clashes on the border be-tween Vietnam and China have

been almost a daily occurrence since early May. The largest was reported by the Chinese in the middle of the mouth, when 150 Vietnamese were said to have been killed. Chinese soldiers were reported to have been decorated for the action. Accurate information about what is happening is hard to get, but a diplomat in Bangkok said one border area, supposedly the scene of some of the most serious clashes, showed scant evidence of fighting

U-turn pigs on EEC bill From Michael Hornsby

M Mitterrand's link with

Cluny dates from the Second World War. It was there that

he found refuge when he escaped from a prison camp in

But in yet another of several

Brussels, June 8
The EEC budget may have been defrauded of as much as £6m last year because of the smuggling of cattle, pigs and butter across the border between the Republic of Ireland and Northern Lesland and Northern Ireland. The accusation is made in report being prepared by Mr George Patterson, a Conserva-tive member of the European Parliament, which will be pre-sented to the Parliament's

After visiting Northern Ire-land, Mr Patterson reports that the smuggling involved the evasion, and fraudulent payment of import taxes and export subsidies intended to offset the effects of currency changes on EEC farm prices. Pigs are smuggled from the Republic to the north, evading payment of an import levy of

up to \$7.50 a head. They are then exported back to the south, legally collecting an

budgetary control committee.

export subsidy of the same amount on the way. Until recently, this racket was known as "the carousel" since the same operation could be performed with the same animals many times over Last month, however, stricter controls were introduced.
This means it is now no

longer possible to make more than one circuit of the carousel. in effect a U-turn as Mr Patter-son calls it in his report. But this is still a lucrative illegal

Mr Patterson has also dis-

Forlani told to speed consultation

From Peter Nichols

Television Well-nigh flawless

The Caretaker

Eschewing, which is difficult at present, all talk of princes and fashionable poets, this review is in praise of a truly noteworthy event, the long-awaited broadcast on Sunday of The Care-

As is well known, the splendid production mounted last autumn by the National Theatre represented the inversion of a process which normally works the other way round. In this case the televised egg, laid to mark Pinter's fiftieth birthday, gave rise to the theatrical hen, with the same director, Kenneth Ives, and the same formidable cast.

ably, that the television version should not be shown until after the live run had finished: the National's new all-black version, also directed by Ives, meant that the BBC's moment had come.

As with its recent production of The Crucible so now with The Caretaker the BBC has made generally accessible a well-nigh flawless version of a great play. Video-owners will doubtless have done the sensible thing, as (alas for copyright law) will canny English teachers who were not able to get their flocks to the Lyttelton. This version,

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Bush The Beach Boys sing about "California Girls" as the audience clambers up the seating in the Bush Theatre. Another the Bush Theatre. Another popular song is even more in keeping with the subject of Mayo Simon's play: John Mitchell sang particularly about the women of rural Laurel Canyon on the edge of Hollywood in "Ladies of the Canyon". They hold a special place among California girls, being held in regard as commandos in the sexual revolution and whole-food mystics, and they are characters in These

are characters in These Mr Simon is most interested in sex, or at least in sex as cipher for relationships. It gives his story a steady interest, which his ambling structure would never hold on its own. There are only two characters, both of them women, and, with much explicit talk and a large amount of domestic near-

nudity, their story seems a real one. Shelly is the veteran of the

sex wars, accustomed to a different man for every day of the week, with one always 15 minutes away waiting for her to

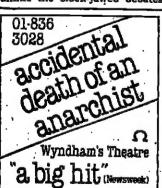
Books

The Promise of Happiness

Value and Meaning in Children's Fiction By Fred Inglis (Cambridge, £17.50)

The effort of matching your prose to your visdom is the very heart of understanding human action, and its proper and justified epistemology. Well - that's an opinion which you may not share with Mr Inglis. Or it's a way of puring things that you may find ambiguous. What is beyond dispute however, is the unexpectedness of such a remark in a book about children's books. The little workshops of Kiddie-crit will never be the same

For Mr Inglis has attacked his subject with a dedication quite unlike the slack-jawed debates



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It is nice to be reminded, in an unusually informative and ungossipy article in Radio Times, that Pinter has little interest in the allegorical speculation with which many commentators surround his play. Ives and his team will have none of it either, and by paying scrupulous attention to surface detail they have successfully brought out the multi-layered reverberations of the edifice as a whole.

From the first long silent

a whole.

From the first long silent moment when the camera slowly tracks round Jonathan Pryce the pace and physical atmosphere were solidly established no sound would be heard and the properties of the propert which was not generated from within the enclosed space of four walls and a ceiling. Ives is one of that rare breed of directors who have the confidence to let dramatists speak for themselves, and in the stillness created by his baton the play's fugal music took wing: the absence of a theatri

cal interval allowed the recur-ring themes to circle round each other all the more resonantly.

On screen everything had a heightened tautness and urgency, with Warren Mitchell going off like a firecracker, Jonathan Pryce exuding colledup menace and Kenneth Cranham's slow smile suggesting an infinite wound

Michael Church act as the general in bed. Her secret of seduction is that "men like mess", and she rarely takes off the tattered dressing-gown she counts as her best lure. However disorderly the structure of the play, Mr Simon is not finally a man who really likes a mess himself, and he tidies up everything with a standard slice of morality, with Shelly facing loneliness.

On the eve of eviction, Shelly regales the audience with the story of her relationship with Cloris, an apologetic waif who turned up as a roommate while Shelly was looking for a new man:

man.

The playing of Stephanic Fayerman and Nicky Croydon is exemplary. Miss: Fayerman in particular, moving between direct address to the audience and sudden involvement in scenes with Cloris, displays an openness that is vulnerable, believable and comical. Both actresses offer a convincing portrait of their life together, which is real from the outside. Sarah Pia Anderson's direction keeps the movement between memory and narration fluid and dramatic, but Mr Simon never scratches deeply beneath the

feminine surfaces he observes

Ned Chaillet

that usually get into print for the child-minders to enjoy. His main theme is common enough: "that good books help to make happiness and virtue possible?; but rarely do those who state it make more than a token gesture towards grasping those slippery-terms or observing the impli-cations of their relationship. In what way can *The Mouse and* His Child be shown to be more "good" than Mr Pink-Whistle? And why should a shown And why should a child derive more "happiness and virtue" from Russell. Hoban's highly individual little epic than from the comfy banalities of Enid

the comfy banalities of Enid Blyton?

Mr Inglis recognizes that such explanations are difficult—indeed, "tricky" is one of his favourite adjectives—and the reader must follow him over some rough country, from Kant's Principles of the Metaphysic of Ethics to Benjamin's Muminations. But it seems to me that this is a wholly necessary journey, if you are committed to the initial thesis. Questions touching on "value and meaning" in literature are not more easily answered because the literature is for children—rather the reverse is fact.

fact.

The exercise is at its trickiest, however, not in the theoretical arguments but in the transition that has to be made to critical examples. For as well as being a manifesto in the cause of litterae humaniores, The Promise of Happiness is also an exhibition of children's

also an exhibition of children's novels which display Mr Inglis's beliefs in action. Working first historically — Alice, The Railway Children, The Secret Ganden, The Wind in the Willows — then through special groupings, like "cult" books, historical novels, etc, he seeks to show how writers for children effect "the re-enchantment of the universe".

how writers for children effect "the re-enchantment of the universe".

Many of these critical vignettes are full of keen observation and lively expression (the adult trapped in the cult of The Lord of the Rings "has shut himself in a rather grander version of Mistletoe Farm"); and Mr Inglis's sympathies are wide. (Who would expect someone who studied under "the greatest teacher of English the English universities have ever known" to include John Buchan and Frank Richards and P. G. Wodehouse in his pantheon?) But the scale of this critical activity is too small to match the largeness of the philosophical points at issue, and too limited in its deployment. Much as I delight in Mr Inglis's defence of children's books against those who would turn them into political tracts or social douceurs, I wish he had explored the arguments more fully and ranged over a wider set of examples.

These are defects of balance though, rather than of vision, and in its commitment and its

though, rather than of vision, and in its commitment and its humaneness The Promise of Happiness is one of the few Happiness is one of the few books to stand beside Harvey Darton's Children's Books in England and Lillian Smith's The Unreluctant Years (neither of which figure in Mr Inglis's bibliography). Perhaps I am just greedy in thinking that the promise and the happiness deserve two books rather than one.

An inward look at the top of the cultural heap

Paris-Paris: Créations en France 1937-1957

Centre Georges Pompidou

Nicolas de Staël

Grand Palais

Amedeo Modigliani

Musée de l'Art Moderne de la Ville de Paris

Paris-New York, Paris-Berlin, Paris-Moscow: the titles of the last giant summer shows at Beaubourg are at least comfor-Beautourg are at least control tingly redolent of cultural interchange, international per-spectives, new blood. By com-parison, the latest, Paris-Paris, sounds decidedly incestuous. parison, the latest, Paris-Paris, sounds decidedly incestuous. The period it covers, rather later than the rest, is 1937 to 1957, and one begins at once wondering whether in those 20 years Paris did in fact turn noticeably in on itself. Of course, the war came right near the beginning of the period, and naturally then France had precious little cultural interchange, and what it did have it would certainly rather not have had. The war years, indeed, still rankle so that the very suggestion of including in this show any work by Arno Breker, Hitler's favourite sculptor and a great francophile, brought a storm down on the heads of the organizers from several very distinguished French artists who refused to show in the same gallery. (Honour has been satisfied by the inclusion of documentary material only on Breker in Paris).

Otherwise, the period seems to show Paris, as so often this

Otherwise, the period seems to show Paris, as so often this century, at the top of the cultural heap, unchallenged capital of the art world, where capital of the art world, where all good American painters (and many others) come to find fame and fortune or die in the attempt. It was really only right at the end, in the later 1950s, that a serious challenger came up, in the shape of New York. So, is this show a piece of quite understandable blowing of the French trumpet? Not exactly. True, we can never be unaware. True, we can never be unaware, walking round the large gallery on the fifth floor of the Centre Pompidou, that Paris was where it was all happening. But at the same time there are two elements which militate against air a lot of the show now has, as if to say that, while Paris may have thought at the time she was the most vital art centre in the world, now at least it is permitted to wonder whether greater excitances.



rooms indicating the main outlines of art on the eve of war abstraction, the death-throes of surrealism at the inter-national exhibition of 1938, a in London, these were Modern Art, showing along with Jin-dred artists such as Poliakoff and Vigira da Silva at galleries nanonal exhibition of 1330, a few attempts at social realism—it plunges us almost straight into nothing less than a wholesale revaluation of just that period which has been of late most infinited to our current sensibilities, most difficult to take seriously the 1950s. cult to take seriously: the 1950s. It is just about time. And, if it were going to be done anywhere right now, France is surely the place, for the 1950s seem to

have corresponded in some occult fashion with something buried deep in French taste more than that of any other more than that of any other country. Look, for example, at the two Domela reliefs of 1938 done but of course in Paris, with their pathetic inserts of flimsy wire, their hectic Festival-of-Britain colours. And they are not the only bold anticipations of the Fifties aesthetic we find in even vintage French Pleco. Later on, it often looks as are not the only bold anticipations of the Firties aesthetic we find in even vintage French.

Deco. Later on, it often looks as if the French are clinging to shreds of their early-1950s artistic glory, in just the same spirit that Britons will keption looking back to the Edwardian heyday of empire. Certainly this show is full of whatever-happened-tos. And several of the 1950s French, or at least School of Paris, tachistes like Soulages and Hartung and even Manes sier are beginning to look really impressive again. Not to mention De Stael, of whom more elements which militate against total self-congratulation. First, the very large number of Deco. Later on, it often looks as emigre artists, or just visitors, if the French are clinging to who figure in it being able to attract the good artists is after artistic glory, in just the same all very different from automatically giving birth to them. In other is the curiously faded they day of empire. Certainly this size is of the show may have show is full of whatever-habing elsewhere. It is probably the anon. The stall, of whom more anon. The stall is probably the anon. The suppose I must bitton: after a few prefatory

like (but how few there were like) the late lamented Hanover. like) the late lamented Hanover. I still remember them, and have had a soft spot for them all these years. But that cuts both ways: I might for that very reason have been painfully disappointed if they had not lived up to my memories, while others, expecting nothing, might have enjoyed them. In the event I thought most of them stood up well to renewed scrutiny. And if I found Mathieu's vaguely calligraphic dribbles and splashes vulgar, and Yves Klein's patented blue boring, well, at least I always have.

And the show is by no means

And the show is by no means devoid of surprises, even for those of us old enough to remember a lot of it the first

(famed teacher of Nureyev and later Baryshnikov) "was to the Kirov dancers", he says, "I took his classes and also prepared all my roles with him. In addition to technique, he wanted to give you the motivation for the acting. When I first danced Swam Lake at the Bolshoi I was young I had never danced full-length works. I didn't know what to do, how to stand, how to walk. I knew bnly how to dance. In the studio Yermolayev would go over the

bnly how to dance. In the studio Yermolayer would go over the role with me in the smallest detail. 'Why are, you doing this?' he would ask. 'Do you like Odile, or do you hate her?' 'What's going on 'inside you?' 'How do you feel about your mother?' Later we prepared Giselle and Spartacus in the same way. He made me understand what I was doing on the stage. He made me see that

precisely a social realist, in the 1930s who managed, uniquely, to come up during the war with a painting, Rue de Paris, which is neither kow-towing nor wallowing in self-pity, and continued impressively to explore a similar style throughout

our period.

As against this, there are undoubtedly painters included, such as (for me) Lanskoy and Bazaine, whose complete neglect, outside France as least, in the last 20 years seems. neglect, outside France at least, in the last 20 years seems absolutely justified. And I was pleased to find that my low opinion of the later Dubuffets, all self-consciously primitive and encrusted, is moderated somewhat by his much more painterly early works, and yet confirmed in its broad outlines by a whole roomful of works influenced by the concept of matiere in painting (daubed and slashed and crumpled and crusted, that is) which did not do anything at all for me.

Of less celebrated painters some canvasses stay stubbornly in the mind: an exquisite yellow colour-field by Sima, a large Genevieve Asse of an abstracted colour-field by Sima, a large of Genevieve Asse of an abstracted is the first decent showing in seascape (first lake it) in the most delicate blues and greys, a lyrical abstract by Martin Barre called simply 100 x 100A. Many pleasures, in fact, and in the last analysis very little extractable message. We knew that painting in Paris at that time was lively; we knew it was study abstracts, efficient varied, we knew that in style it was very much of its period but no really distinctive then, like here. The show runs until but not really distinctive then,

firmed. But, at the same time, one cannot help noticing that the first thrill, passing Picasso's the first thrill, passing ricasso signant drop curtain for the Theatre du Peuple (1936), spectacularly hung from the ground floor to the basement, is matched, alas, by nothing later in the show.

Paris-Paris runs in Paris until Neuropeuple 2 offers which in

November 2, after which, in some shape or form, it is due to open the new art gallery in the Barbican. The most exciting spin-off from it, the Nicolas de Palais, runs until August 24, then comes to the Tate. In the context of Paris-Paris de Stael's Les Toits, a tumble of multi-coloured, squarish shapes under a lowering sky, imposes itself at once as a masterpiece. Anyone suspecting that it might be a fluke should rush off immediately to the Grand Palais, where he will find that this incredibly graced painter could hardly do wrong, and there are so many among the drawings and 23 large drawings to take your breath away that it is astonishing this is the first decent showing in Paris-since the nemorial show in 1956, the year after he took his own life at the age of 41.

disporting themselves. A painter who shows up very well in
the show is André Fougeron, a
social commentator, if not

almost the de Stael we have known and (some of us) loved. After that it is simply a question of his easing up, painting more and more out of his instinct and sheer delight in colour. At this point it does not seem to matter whether the paintings are nominally representational or not: one can guess what many of those entitled just Composition might be about, whereas when he actually tells us he is painting a vase of flowers or a seascape it is still the shapes and colours which work on us, virtually to the exclusion of formal content.

The final room, the paintings of the last four years, must offer one of the most uncomplioffer one of the most uncomplicatedly joyous experiences in all painting. Here was a born painter, living in his canvases for the qualities of the pigment, the tiniest nuances of grey (de Staèl's greys are like no one else's, full of warmth and life), the effect of blazing light. The 1955 landscape of Cannes, with boats steaming in a haze of bleached-out colour across the foreground, is as happy as any Dufy; and the last painting of all, one of the largest, has something which one might suspect, knowing de Stael's playful way with scale, to be the biggest pear in the world, though as the work is called Le Concert presumably it is a double bass and the black shape to the left is a piano. Not that it to the left is a piant. Not that it matters: the painting is about red and yellow and white and black, and that triumphantly, is all it needs to be about.

De Stael could easily have

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proved to be a painter who looks weaker rather than stronger in the aggregate. But even when two paintings are almost identical the magic holds. Modigliani ought to be the same way. Yet the big show at the Musee de l'Art Moderne de la Ville de Paris, marking its twentieth anniversary, does not somehow turn out like that.
Partly, no doubt, it is that it is appallingly hung, all crowded together in dimly lit spaces carved out of what is usually carved out of what is usually one large room so that you feel as though lost in a maze (an overpopulated maze at that). But, even in much more externally favourable circumstances, surely these serried ranks of portraits, all fed through the same stylistic sausage machine, all using the same convention for eyes and mouths: all in a very limited mouths; all in a very limited selection of poses, would seem

almost as monotonous.'

True, any one of them taken
by itself could be forceful and
clegant, a satisfactory patters
and an interestingly individual and an interestingly invividual approach to the rendering of the human face and figure. Faced with them all together, one does long for something just a bit different: a few more landscapes, for instance, since the two there are are fresh and falls come more sculmans. felt; some more sculpture, since here Modigliani's conventions do tend to shed the curse of the

waitresses hovering near by in the restaurant near Lincoln

Center seem more than a little intrigued by him, confirming his charismatic presence.

"First of all I start to dance a

lot, with different companies, different ballerines and different choreographers. That is very important to me," Godu-nov continues, "because when

you stay in one place with the

same repertoire without any possibility to work with new choreographers it's very sad.

Alexander Godunov: constant demand for a charismatic presence

Alexander Godunov:

Few, if any, ballet companies tring musted use of principal dancers as American Ballet Theatre, under the new artistic direction of the enthusiastic direction of the opportunity of talking to the company's most recently appointed premier danseur and one of its most exciting performers, Alexander Godunov, about his life, art and aspirations.

He was born in 1949 on Sakhalin, a long, lean island north of Japan Godunov:

There is no turning back. Once you are cast in children's roles and start to understand the start of the family in this remose corner of the world until he was two, when his mother moves teaching, it becomes interesting. You want to be good, you man to be good, you were the family in this remose teaching, it becomes interesting. You want to be good, you were the family in this remose teaching, it becomes interesting. The promised with her two sons to Riga, the capital of Lavia. It was the last Godunov saw of his father, who late remarried. Now he has mother moved with her two sons to Riga, the capital of Lavia. It was the last Godunov saw of his father, who later remarried. Now he has mother moved with her two sons to Riga, the respect of factly.

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Radio 3

Radio 3 In a recording conducted by John Pritchard.

Radio 3 has during past months the surveying the operas of Richard Strauss. Last night the cycle was completed with his when he composed Guntram. Last opera, Capriccio, broadcast Following in the steps of the from a famous set of records master, Strauss wrote his own

the company's renowned demicharacter dancers and a magnificent actor. Yermolayev is
known in the West through his
unforgettable filmed portrayal
of Tybalt in Lavrovsky's Romeo
and Juliet.
Godunov talks eloquently of Yermolayev's gifts as a coach and teacher. "He was to the men in Moscow what Pushkin" famed teacher of Nureyev and

same way. He made me understand what I was doing on the stage. He made me see that with a real dancer the audience follows you even when you are not dancing a step, You cannot ever relax, because, if you do the audience can see and then you lose their attention."

With American Ballet Theatre, Godunov works with Elena Tchernishova, a ballet-mistress formerly with the Kitrov Ballet. There is a strong rapport between the two emigrés. Tchernishova understands what Godunov needs and she provides him with the intensive, analytical coaching that he was used to receiving in the Soviet Union. Of him she says: "He's not one colour, not say

but flooped dismally. It was not revived until 1933 when Hans Roshaud conducted a studio performance for Berlin Radio. Strauss was moved by this to prepare a revised edition. Substantially cut down, especially the title-role which had been

resis is one of the few ostand beside Harvey of stand beside Harvey is Children's Books in and Lillian Smith's The team Years (neither of figure in Mr Inglis's aphy). Perhaps I am edy in thinking that the and the happiness two books rather than the BBC's Opera Department have been two books rather than the stage of the stage of the stage of the stage of the form a famous set of records master, Strauss wrote his own a good mumber of strauss's 15 operas have been and the happiness and the happiness two books rather than the stage of the strauss's very in the composed Guntum. It is the content of the stage of the count, in Die Meister than the stage of the strauss's very in the stage of the master, Strauss wrote his own the condemed cell but he leaves her and his guild for a life of expiation as a ble; but the musical procedure says the husband. She springs is recognizably Straussian, with Berlin. in: 1940 but never subsequently performed complete until now. Even in 1964, the centenary year, Guntum was ignored by Germany, and only represented by extracts of the title-role which had been carried best to convert the court, then says the husband. She springs is recognizably Straussian, with Berlin. in: 1940 but never subsequently performed complete only; and to a subsequently for a life of expiation as a later to condemed cell, but he leaves her and his guild for a life of expiation as a later to condemed cell, but he leaves her and his guild for a life of expiation as a later of the control was staged in Weiman and the happiness and the happiness and the happiness and the BBC's Opera Department have had to mount heir following the condemed cell, but he leaves her and his guild for a life of expiation as a later to condemed the later in the control was staged in Weiman and the leaves he



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the cruef local duke, does his best to convert the court, then slays the husband. She springs him from the condemed cell, but he leaves her and his guild for a life of expiation as a

orchestral tone-poems, several of which Strauss had already brought out. (There is a sizeable quotation from Death and Transfiguration near the beginning of Guntram). There are plenty of Wagnerisms, Naturally enough, and quite enjoyable; but the musical procedure is recognizably Straussian, with long melodic lines and distinctive orchestral colours.

The BBC recording was handsomely cast, with Sarah Walker and John Tomlinson particularly impressive in small.

No artist can survive on such a stagnating artistic diet as I had in the Soviet Union. You know already how your life will be mapped and that nothing will change. Here I have the choice and the different experiences are helping me to develop as an

So far Godunov has only performed in existing ballets, but he says it is his dream to have a work mounted especially on him. "I never did any funny ballets", he says. "I would like that very much." There is a moment's pause and he adds: "I would also like to try more modern ballets. It doesn't have to tell a story, as long as there is interesting movement, ideas.

Yet another dream is to act in films some time in the future. There have been several scripts offered him, but all focus on the story of his defection and this holds no interest for him. "I don't want to do that," "I don't want to do that,"
Godunov says emphatically,
"but if a good script came
along, of course I'd be interested. What I want to do now, I
think, is take some acting
classes, and also language
lessons, the we'll see. There are
a lot of possibilities. I have
changed during the time I have
to try different things. Even if it
doesn't work out, I know it will
work for my dancing, and that
is what matters."

Patricia Barnes

arduous for tenor in all Strauss. As Freihild, the heroine, Carole Farley's intonation and enunci-Farley's intonation and cnunci-ation were not above suspicion, though she voiced the splendid long solo at the end of the central act convincingly.

Pritchard and the BBCSO acquitted themselves with dis-tinction. The ghost of Guntram has been laid. The BBC may be congratulated, not for the first time in the course of this series.

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Why the toast of Broadway is hankering after his roots

I met Ian McKellen hackstage at the Broadhurst Theatre on Broadway the day before he won his Tony award as best

actor of the year.

Outside the theatre, among weary stagehands slumped in the sun, New York crazies and teenage punks, a crowd eathered. "Good luck for the Tony!" someone called. "You're wonderful. incredible!" called another. "Thank you," Mckellen replied, looking

suitably modest.

His dressing-room, as small, as a cell, is isolated from those of the other actors. He can go for weeks without meeting another member of the Amadeus cast except on stage. An air-conditioner whitred. On his ar-conditioner whitred. On his dressing-table were a couple of relegrants, a jar of honey, a bottle of something called Regular Dippity-Do Setting Gel, and a note attached to the mirror: "Dear Mr McKellen. It is an honour having you as the star. Thank you. The Box Office."

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At 42, McKellen looks hovish, assured, and very relaxed. This actor, believed by many to be the successor to Olivier, is known as a pleasant and unpretentious man, When I first met him last year after the New York reviews had declared him to be the toast of the town, he

John Heilpern, who will be writing regularly for The Times from New York on the arts. talks to Ian McKellen about his life in the theatre and the

Tony award he won this week as Broadway's Best Actor of the Year



night. "Well," he said, "that doesn't happen in London. So much of what's delightful about New York seems to me to he what was delightful about childhood, There's always something to look forward to. A parade. A birthday, And they give you such wonderful presents. Giftwrapped, None of this is very important, but it's so mee."

And the prospect of a Tuny?
"That would be nice, toobut thank God I don't have to rely on it. It can only rein-force one's ego.

to be the toast of the town, he appeared a little bewildered that nothing seemed actually to he happening. "I mean, where all the parties?" he asked. But life has changed for him since then.

Restaurants now throw parties for him; a chauffeured limousine, provided by the Amedeus management, whisks him round Manhattan; enthusiastic audiences give him a ritual standing ovation every force one's ego.

"Tonys are really more important to Americans." Careers here can be made or broken by them. They are a useful symbol of the American dream, making success and failure clear cut. I went to the laundry and the man said he couldn't get my suit back till Monday. I said: "But you've got to! I'm on the Tonys on the Tonys' Great! Sure!" So you

see, they mean more to Americans than to the British." In fact, riding on McKellen's
Tony award was a million
dollars. Should he win, that
was the amount he had been
guaranteed to tour Amadeus
in America for a year.

Newertheless

Nevertheless, when the Broadway run ends for him in October, he will return to England. He does not know yet what work he will be returning to, "In the end," he explained,

my work has to be rooted in "my work has to be rooted in England. Americans are still forty-niners at heart. They like to dig for gold. They're always mining. They are not good gardeners. To create fine threatre you plant little seeds. You should nurture and crossfortilize plants, and try to produce a black sulip."

McKellen was brought up in the North of England. His father, who died in a car

father, who died in a car accident, was the borough

engineer and surveyor of Bolton; his mother, the daughter of a Congregationalist minister, performed occasionally at church socials; his older sister is a teacher in Colchester and an amateur actress. Other than his family's incorest in theatre, the younginterest in theatre, the young McKellen had no professional

He was reared instead on the local variety shows he saw irre at a Bolton theatre owned by the chairman of one of his father's committees. He caught the tail end of the musichall tradition, watching the acrs-backstage, except when there was a conjuror or a nude show.
Today, the qualities McKellen
admires in an actor are essentially those of the old musichall performer: the illusion of total spontaneity on stage, an ability to think on your feet,

He did a lot of acting at school, though he went up to read English as Cambridge with no real ambition to become a professional actor. McKellen's interview with his tutor, Briga-dier Henn, a Yestes Scholar and theatre enthusiast, turned into his first and most successful audition. Asked by Henn to perform 'a little something. McKellen stood on a chair and almost blasted him out of his study with "Once More Into the Breach Dear Friends." He was swarded an exhibition.

At Cambridge, he says, he suddenly met a crawd of people as dotty about the thearre as himself. Among his contemporaries were Trevor Nunn, actors Derek Jacobi, Coria Redgrave, Clive Swift, directors Picker (Coria Contemporaries) Richard Cotterill and Toby Robertson, playwright Simon Gray, critic Michael Billington,



Ian McKellen: 'In the end, my work has got to be rooted in England, Americans are still forty-niners at heart.'

John Tydeman, now deputy head of drama at BBC Radio, Clive Perry, who runs Birmingham Rep, and David Brierley, now general manager of the Rayal Shakespeare Company.

Preceding this astonishing Cambridge generation of the early 1960s were John Barton and Peter Hall, who had just taken his degree at McKelien's college, St Catharine's.

The formative influence on them all was George Rylands, then a don at King's and the mainstay of the Marlowe Society, of which McKellen be-came president. It was Rylands, he says, who instilled in him, and in everyone else, the most scrupulous attention to the

classic texts, transforming their understanding.
In the lare 1960s it was McKellen's Richard II and Edward II, which toured Britain with the Prospect Theatre, that established his national reputation, Harold Hobson became his lasting champion. Over the years, however, Mc-Kellen has planned his career carefully—choosing his roles and the companies he joined more with an eye for how he could develop as an actor rather than how he might

achieve easy success. stretches He stretches himself:
Macbeth for Trevor Nunn's
famous studio production at
The Other Place theatre; his
award-winning role as the He

homosexual Dachau prisoner in Bent at the Royal Court; an earlier attempt at founding a new classic company, the Actors' Company, which tried to create a true ensemble in contrast to the bll state theatres by functioning as a kind of actors' cooperative.

All the actors were paid equally, all shared the roles— big or small. When I asked him why he left the Actors' Com-pany after three years, he replied cheerfully: "To be honest, I was fed up with play-ing the small parts."

As we talked in his cell of a

dressing-room on Broadway, a warning bell reminded him that he was expected on stage. He changed in only a couple of

minutes, dabbing his face with token make-up, and re-emerged as the ancient, evil Salieri. As the audience gathers in the theatre, McKellen as Salieri must slump on stage in a bath-chair with his back to the audience for some 15 minutes or so. Then Amadeus begins. But

he as sitting there?

He showed me a secret pocket sewn into his costume. Inside was a book, Hermit of Pekingthe Hidden Life of Sir Edward Backhouse. So Salieri is cur-rently reading Hugh Trevor

You see !". said a delighted McKellen. "That's what I love about theatre. It's all a magni-

Fashion: Suzy Menkes on the return of the ball gown

Photographs by John Swannell



The Hon Camilla Vain-Peacock

(above) on the occasion of her Eighteenth birthday, Miss Vain-Pea-cock wears a black silk tatteta gown with ruffed jacket by Mr Victor Edelstein Her necklet is in gold and ivory with pave set diamonds. Her chandelier earnings are set with 84 hritiani-cut diamonds.

Dress: in black, londant pink, green or blue £632 from Harrods International Room. Chic of Hampslead and Lucienne Phillips of Knights-

Necklace: Diamonds-International award-winner by Barbara Tipple. Diamonds-international ward-winner by Claire Gouldon

Lady Lucinda Prigge (above right) who announces her betrothal to Captain Peter Aldershot. She wears a bow printed paper laffeta bail gown by Bellville Sassoon. Her amethyst-and-blue-lopez necklace, drop earrings and three-strand ruby and amethyst bracelet from

Miss Morag Scotts-Natt

(right) dances a real in a royal-blue pure silk plaid ball skirt, buttohed blouse and sash by Miss Caroline

Dress: price £283 from Caroline

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Room and Monk's Dormitory of Coggeshall. Necklade: of peerls, yellow sapphire and diamond from

ones, 52 Beauchamp Place, SW3.

Jones, 32 Beautramp had, Shoes; metallic snake sandals by Kurt Geiger from 95. New Bond Street, Magil, Stoane Street, Rack-hams of Birmingham, and Kendal

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Deauville colours by Revion. fisagist: Teresa Farminer at The

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Dress: to order or off-the-peg in organza £426 from Bellville Sassoon. 73 Pavilion Road, London SW3. lewelry from Jones, 52 Beauchamp





Dearest Mother,

You were so right about the flowers. Lilies look far too dreary for one's daughter's eighteenth birthday. That clever Ken Turner has had the marvellous idea of doing delphiniums and lupins growing out of croissants. (I do hope Camilla's friends won't start

throwing the rolls at each other!) I'm worried about the rain and hope the marquee doesn't leak into the salmon mousse like at the Chies-Parings. (Geoffrey says it will save him a few bob if the

champagne gets watered-down.)
We'll meet you from the Oxford train on Friday evening. Bring your wellies, but don't bring Rats because Camilla says the band is noisy and he'll how the place down.

I want to warn you in advance. about The Dress, I know you are going to say its much too sophisti-cated for an 18-year-old. But ever since that Diana Spencer business, All those girls are wearing ball gowns now, you know. At Rose Flauntit's Eighteenth she wore one of her Mother's old strapless dresses cut down to a mini skirt. Geoffrey said she looked like an

overweight ballerina, but I noticed him studying the form. Anyway, Camilla's is ankle-length, with one of those big rustling skirts down to the ground. But I fear you are going to say that the top is rather revealing. Actually, I think it's wonderful what it does for her bustline.

I took her to Bellville's where they had such pretty things in pale colours, so suitable for a young girl, I thought. The taffeta dresses had frilled wraps and there was an enchanting silk organize printed with bows, but Camilla said that Lucinda Prigge wore it to The Rose Ball, so that was out.

Caroline Charles in Beauchamp Place had some charming separates—big full skirts with little jackets and camisole tops. So practical because Camilla could have worn the skirt with another blouse to Morag Scotts-Natt's (especially as it was in a sort of tartan).

We tried to go to the Emanuels, although Geoffrey said he'd have to sell the Monet to find the money. But can you imagine, they had a huge sisatian guarding the en-trance, and you know how funny. Camilla has always been about dogs ever since Rats gave her that little nip and she had to have her face stitched up.

Anyway Serena Knowe-Awl says that the Emanuels are booked up to their eyes in ruffles for Diana's Twentieth on 1st July. (No, I am afraid Camilla hasn't been asked yet.) We saw some ravishingly pretty Emanuel Specials at Har-rods, but Camilla says she wants to look like a wicked fairy, and fondant pink tulle didn't seem quite the thing.

Well, we found it in the end at Harrods. It's by Victor Edelstein and fits her quite beautifully. tacket with an enormous ruff and simply yards in the skirt. I thought Geoffrey might fall through the floor along with the Pound, if I told him the price, so I said I'd got dresses for both of us

Now I'm in a tiny bit of a dilemma about what to wear. Then I thought about the dress that dear Norman made for you for my Twenty First all those years ago. I know I might have said at the time that it gave you a flying buttress bustline and a sway-back behind, but I realise now that it was just like all these dresses the girls are wearing (and much better made, if I know Hartnell).

Could you be a dear and ask Mrs Croker to dig it out of the attic? No time for the cleaners, so I'll drown the mothballs in Diorissimo.

Oh and Mummy, I don't know if you've decided about Camilla's present yet. But the one thing these dramatic evening dresses need is a decent sort of necklace. Those rubies in the bank that you never wear would do her very well. . . .

Snippets

homage by our leading British photographer John Swannell to his own hero the American Irving

An exhibition of Penn's precise and articulate work is currently on show at the Marlborough Gallery, 6 Albemarle Street, London W1. His harsh and masterly portraits of famous figures such as Somerset Maugham and Ivy Compton-Burnett are given pride of place-alongside his latest work, which consists mainly of photographs of crumpled cigarette packets and blackened

Since Irving Penn was the most. brilliant fashion photographer of the Fifties before he took up Fag End Art, it seems a pity that there should be only four of his fashion photographs on display including an arresting shimmer of a sequinned suit by Chanel photographed in 1974.

John Swannell who worked with David Bailey in the early Seventies readily acknowledges his debt to Irving Penn in his use of controlled light and delicate posing. A collection of John's fashion and beauty photography is on show at the San Carlo Restaurant 2 High gate High Street, N6, from today.

All the photographs, from the unlikely shots taken with a masked boatman in Sri Lanka to the luminous studio portraits, are of August.

■ The pictures on this page are a Marianne Lah, his model girl friend and amanuensis.

> As a welcome antidote to the flurry of frills about town, men's shirtmaker Coles of Sloane Street have started button-holing ladies.

> Their tailored pure cotton shirts come with a neat Peter Pan or officer collar (complete with pearl buttons), in chalk white, fine stripes, or the traditional Civil Service stripes with white collar and cuffs (all at £22.50).

From the same stable and in the ... same styles are pure silk shirts (for ladies only) at £42.50, cotton nightshirts at £27.95 and towelling robes, all from the Coles shop at . 131 Sloane Street, SW1.

The bi-annual race to commit commercial suicide will start early this summer. The Sales in the major stores will be upon us two weeks from today in order to shift slow-moving summer stock in this dreary weather and to put on a spruce shop front in time for the Royal Wedding at the end of July.

As customers I suppose we must be grateful that when the fine weather eventually arrives, all the lightweight clothes will be marked

But I would have thought that the weather and the Wedding would have been a good reason to move the summer sales to their sensible and rightful place in the month of

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Trying hard to convince you all

New words and new meanings

Convincing novel? (10 letters). The solution to that not parti-cularly testing clue in The-Times crossword the other day mar of the language continues to shift in this direction, we may eventually have to retitle Jane's novel about amiable and intelligent Anne Elliot Comiction. The impression is spreading that "convince" is a ing that "convince" is a synonym for "persuade". Here are some recent examples

From the front page of The Times, and, worse, before breakfast: Wintry weather, higher petrol prices and the proximity of the Easter week-end seem to have convinced

From The Times: "The air-craft's three stewardesses were credited with convincing Mr Downey (the former Trappist mook turned Waker Mitty) to release 11 women and five

From United Press Inter-national: "Five bandits con-vinced a Brink's armoured car driver to open his truck door by pointing a 50mm anti-air-craft gun at him". I should find that a pretty convincing

My favourite announcer on Woman's Hour appounced to woman's hour amounced to us the other day that she had convinced three celebrated people to tell us about some-thing or other that was clearly not memorable, since I have

suade" are nearly synonyms, but not quite. "Convince" carries connotations of overcoming someone in argument to persuade him of the truth or validity of something. "Per-suade" has stronger connotatins of getting somebody to do something. Until the recent shift, in British English we normally convinced somebody of something or, in a subordinate clause, that something was so. On the other hand we persuaded him either of something, or that something, or, with the infinitive, to do something. something.

The shift seems to bave started in American English. Paul Procter in The Longman Dictionary of Contemporary English published in 1978 gives as an example of American English: "We convinced Anne to go by train rather than plane". Quite right too, especially if she was Anne

Examples have been recorded in the United States of convincing somebody not to walk out of a meeting; and of convincing somebody into something. From The New York Times: "Here is where we will make loye", Antonio sald. "Now you will take off your suit." "Listen, Antonio, I told you no", I insisted. "Do you really think I'm saying it

just so I can let you convince me into saying yes? What shall we do about this We could cry "foul" and

declare that the new grammati

cal construction is unidenmatic, incorrect or bad English We could take the complete we count take the completely permissive line that usage
rules. Laurence Urdang, the
American lexicographer and
editor of Verbatim, has written
of convince to that nothing
could be more idiomatic, proper English, and that any body who argues otherwise should be convinced to write "I shall not contrive imagin-ary rules for English style and syntax" on the blackboard 500

The most sensible course is to recognize that a battle is being fought over convince between analogy and cast-iron idiom; and to resolve, at any rate in The Times, not to surrender to analogy until the There is not much future in this, if analogy and the Americans have taken over.

Philip Howard that people merely sit out the hours designated for them.



Keir Hardie (left) broke the political mould when he helped found the Labour Party. Sir Oswald Mosley (right) left Labour in 1931 to found the New Party, which soon withered away for lack of support. Now Roy Jenkins is ready to test the real strength of the Social Democrats in their first by-election, at Warrington





Can the Social Democrats succeed where other hopefuls have failed?

has seen the formation of two major and enduring political parties and around a dozen splinter groups which survived for only a comparatively short time before withering away or rejoining one of the main parties. Are the social demo-crats destined to join the former select company with the Liberal and Labour parties, or will they go down in history alongside the Liberal Union-ists, the Asquithian Liberals and the Commonwealth Party? New political parties have both very precise and intang-ble origins: Children stilllearn at school that the Liberal Party was born at the meeting in Willis's Assembly Rooms in S : James's on June 5, 1859, of Whig, Peelite and Radical MPs who agreed to combine to

bring down Lord Derby's Conservative government. The origin of the Labour Party can similarly be dated to the conference in London on February 27, 1900, which inaugurated the Labour Representation Committee. No doubt the textbooks of the future will-record March 26, 1981, as marking the foundation of the Social Democratic Party.

reaches retirement. The party

line is inculcated in the class-

room, at weekly political educa-

tion sessions in institutes and universities, at compulsory pro-paganda briefings for teachers,

journalists and those working in sensitive professions, and at regular trade union meetings for workers on the factory floor.

Even those who reach retire-

ment cannot escape the political

message put across on tele-vision and radio, in "volun-tary" election meetings and of

In this way the Communist

Party tries to ensure its guid-ing role in society is reinforced,

its views propagated and its authority accepted. But in recent years the Soviet leader-

thip has become more and more

concerned that the right poli-tical message is not getting

across, especially to the younger generation. Modern Soviet youth has long been bored with the party line and now appears lucreasingly unreceptive to these preachings.

Mr Brezhnev told the recent

Communist Party congress that Soviet propaganda was falling

down badly in its work and needed completely overhauling. He said political education sessions had become so boring

course in the press.

spread over a period and which are impossible to pinpoint with such accuracy.

There are equally good grounds, for example, for dating the formation of the Liberal Party as early as the late 1840s with the arrival of Richard Cobden in Parliament or as late as the late 1860s with the election of the first distinctively Liberal government under Gladstone. ment under Gladstone.

The Labour Party could be 182 Labour Party Could be said to have begun in the early 1890s, when working class candidates stood against Liberals, or in 1906, when 29 newly-elected MPs called themselves the Labour Party. Future his-torians may well want to date the emergence of a social democratic party from Mr Dick Taverne's by-election victory at Lincoln in 1973 or from the new party's first encounter with the national electorate in the next election. Just as they have a number

of different starting points, new parties arise for a mass of different reasons. Essentially, Yet few historians would of course, they are formed strach too much significance to because people are dissatisfied these dates or the events which took place on them.

requirements or the real points

at issue.
"The Soviet citizen is an

educated and intelligent person.

When he is spoken to in a thoughtless, bureaucratic language, when general verbiage is invoked instead of living reality and actual facts, he simply turns off his television set or radio or save saide his news.

turns off his television set or radio, or sets aside his newspaper", he said.

Meanwhile Mr Brezhnev added, the Seviet Union's "class enemies" were improving their propaganda and stepping up attempts to exercise a demoralizing influence on Soviet people.

Thoughts and mood

The extent of this influence has now been strikingly con-firmed at the highest level. A remarkable document by a

deputy head of the KGB secu-

rity police, whose job is to monitor the thoughts and mood

of the entire population, has accused the West of trying to

corrupt Soviet youth with reli-gion, bourgeois ideology and western lifestyles.

And Mr Viktor Chebrikov,

Soviet people.

In the last 150 years Britain They are simply convenient both the Liberal and Labour has seen the formation of two but often misleading signposts parties this dissatisfaction was major and enduring political to developments which were felt most by those who were parties this dissatisfaction was felt most by those who were ourside rather than inside Parliament.

> The Liberal Parly was created out of a coalition of different interest groups, Non-conformists and industrialists, reformers, intellectuals and working men who had in common a sense of exclusion from the centres of power and influence and a conviction that the existing Whig oligarchy did not represent them. The Labour Party was formed by working men who found themselves excluded from standing as Liberal candidates because of their class and who felt that their class and who felt that the Liberal Party increasingly stood for the interests of employers which were antipathetic to their own.

> Behind these immediate reasons for forming a new party lay other deeper causes. The formation of both the Liberal and Labour parties represented the political expression of great changes in British society—the first the transfer of wealth and power from land to manufacturing and com-merce, and the second the polarization of capital and labour and the emergence of class as the most important determinant of political beha-

Why Soviet youngsters are looking west

in an article intended for young

party activists, was the West's attempt to "depolitioize" youth

and encourage isolationism and the youth revolt. A "negative" attitude to socialism was being

spread among young men and

women who were being seduced by the "soft" propaganda of consumerism and selfishness, the cult of materialism now

found in capitalist societies, sexual liberation and so on.

By means of such "ideological sabotage" the West was

trying to induce enarchy and a deviation from social norms.

The drug culture was used to appeal to the unstable to divorce themselves from society,

turn inwards and drop out, de-flecting them from the path of

an "active, socialist life".

The KGB chief gave a warning that in the battle for the hearts and minds of Soviet

youth, western intelligence services, working with overseas religious centres and exiled

nationalist groups, were using increasingly refined methods: instead of preaching outright anti-communism, they suggested revisionist "improvements".

Youth was now prey to notions of political pluralism and the "slanderous" assertion that

tors affecting the moot of the nation also played an important part in creating the intellec-tual and social climate for the formation of the new parties, There was a widespread awak-ering of liberalism and opti-mism throughout Britain, and indeed throughout Europe, in the 1820 and 1840 instance. the 1830s and 1840s just as there was an overall mood of pessimism and cynicism about Liberal values in the years before the First World War so brilliantly characterized by George Dangerfield in his

book. The Strange Death of Liberal England. It was the presence of these wider and deeper social and intellectual changes as well as the more immediate causes for dissatisfaction with the exist-ing system which made the formation of the Liberal and Labour parties events of more consequence and lasting significance than the creation of the other more ephemeral new political groupings of the past 150 years. Those two parties expressed a new mood in the nation as a whole in a way that groups like the Liberal Unionists or the Asquitbians, with their much narrower focus

according to Mr Chebrikov and

others who have given similar

others who have given similar warnings, is greater vigilance, and, even the suggestion that Russians should watch each other more closely to prevent western agents making inroads. Echoing Mr Brezhnev the KGB official called for better political education and said unless young people were given

young people were given a clear and straight answer" to

disturbing questions, imperial-ism would continue to make

The matter is of some

urgency in view of the events in Poland. The Russians regard the ideological debates there as

particularly dangerous and the questioning of orthodox com-munist dogma as tantamount to

heresy, and are obviously keen to forestall anything similar

But in spite of a slightly more lively approach—in the press

over the past two years, the party's call in 1979 for really

effective propaganda appears to be self-defearing the more

compulsory political education there is, the more stridently the

happening here.

Party line

the lauriching of a new social democratic party represents a response to fundamental social and intellectual changes in Bri-rian or merely the dissatisfac-tion of a few politicians with the existing party system.

There is growing evidence,
however, that the kind of seismic change which produced the Liberal Party in the midnineteenth century and the Labour Party at the beginning of this century is taking place again in Britain. Traditional ' class-dominated

parterns of political behaviour seem to be breaking down. A declining post-industrial society appears to be rejecting concentration and centralization of power and wealth and demanding devolution and decentralization. Possibly the mood of the country is becoming more moderate and rolerant. If these changes are in fact taking place then Mr Roy Jenkins and his colleagues will go down in history with Glad-stone and Keir Hardie as those who succeeded in breaking the mould of British politics, rather than with Lord Ran-dolph Churchill, Joseph Cham-

tion of news, to tone down the propaganda of success" and

appeal to the intellect of the Soviet citizen. Criticism may be solicited in principle, and acceptable from a few top officials, but it is not welcome

in practice and dangerous for the average man or woman, the

party's vast propaganda machinery is suffering from a credibility gap.

really worries the leadership:

patriotism and conformism run

deep at all levels of Soviet

society, and the handful of

active dissidents still at liberty

have little following. But it is

the general spread of apathy,

materialism and scepticism

about communist ideals that

now poses the biggest challenge.
Mr Brezhnev suggested in
February that the country had

to recapture enthusiasm and commitment, develop its poli-tical ideals more courageously and discard outdated concepts and cliches. But he did not

say, in today's cautious and

conservative atmosphere, how

that is to be done. Articles such as that by Mr Chebrikov only increase the scepticism of the disaffected that it ever will be.

It is not open dissent that

Ian Bradley

Israel, Iraq and the French connexion

long-running struggle by Iraq's neighbours to prevent her developing an atomic bomb.

In April 1979, the core of the 70 megawatt research reactor Osirak, ordered from the French, was mysteriously blown-up by saboteurs as it awaited shipment at the southern port of La Seyne-sur-Mer. Osirak was designed to use uranium enriched to more than 90 per cent uranium-235, use-able in nuclear weapons.

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Last June, an Egyptian overseeing French-Iraqi nuclear
cooperation was murdered in
Paris, perhaps because of his
involvement in that programme.
In the opening days of the IranIraq war, the replacement
Osirak facility was bombed,
though the damage was never
disclosed. Though the bombers
carried Iranian markings, Israeli involvement was suspected.

Since then, the Iraqis have announced the capture and ex-ecution of two groups of terror-ists within the county whose plans to attack Iraqi nuclear facilities had been betrayed.

The only surprising element to the announce mut by the Israeli Government was its forthrightness. Credit for ear lier attacks was never claimed, though Israeli complicity was often alleged. The motive for this attack was the inconclusiveness of its predecessors. After the Seyne-sur-Mer explosion, the French Covernment failed to convince Iraq to accept a new reactor using less highly enriched uranium. When Iraq refused, however, France resumed deliveries for Osirak and, last summer, began to transfer, highly enriched uranium.

A clear direction in Iraqi capabilities

The first air attack also apparently falled to inflict more than a temporary setback to fragi nuclear efforts. And the fragi-based saboteurs had all-been intercepted before they could carry out their attack.

The Israelis' motive for a public admission this time can partly be explained by the clear direction emerging in Iraqi tech-nical capabilities. The foundation of the Iraqi nuclear energy programme was laid by the Soviet Union when Moscow sup-plied Baghdad with a small research reactor which became operational in 1968. -Political education is a fact of Mass agitation had become were finding a ready response Young people corrupted with There has been no attempt for almost every Russian "fossilized", full of cliches among sections of Soviet youth. such ideas were then recruited to change the stale slogans on street corners, to vary the reaches retirement. The party nothing to do with today's in an article intended for young The answer to this onslaught, deliberately selective presenta-

The programms developed slowly, however, suitil the aftermath of the 1973 Middle East war. In November 1975 Baghdad signed a nuclear cooperation agreement with France which provided for the supply of two French research reactors, cooperation in breeder reactor research, and possibly for the eventual construction of a 900mw pressurized -water

Of particular importance in this package was the Osirak reactor, since, unlike the earlier Russian reactor, it used highly enriched uranium fuel. Fuel shipments recently reached 72kg of highly enriched tranium, enough for about four to five Hiroshima-scale nuclear weapons. By the time of the air attack, both French research reactors were about to start operations. But the French-Iraqi breeder programme and negotiations over the power reactor never got off the ground.

Baghdad diversified its nuclear energy programme by concluding cooperation agree-ments with Italy in 1977 and Brazil in 1980. Both agreements were designed to build a solid basis of trained nuclear experts. The Italian deal also included the delivery of a so-called "hot cell" facility, which would be able to handle Michael Binyon | weapons-grade material from spent reactor fuel. According

Yesterday's reported Israeli to United States intelligence attacks on Iraqi nuclear facility estimates, the facility would ities is the latest round in a per large enough to produce enough plutonium for roughly one bomb per year.

Through Brazilian cooper-ation, the Iraqis hoped to gain indirect access to West German nuclear technology. Germany having agreed in 1975 to supply Brazil not only with several power reactors but also with sing, and fuel fabrication tech-nologies.

The Iraqis allegedly tried to use their oil leverage to impose terms incompatible with the technology transfer restrictions of the German-Brazilian agreement. In short, the Iraqi nuclear enterprise has been steadily moving closer to a nuclear weapons option.

Iraqi technical capabilities must be interpreted in the light of the government's attitude toward nuclear weapons. On paper, Iraqi non-proliferation credentials are in order; the Government has acceded to the Non-Proliferation Treaty and has accepted International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Atomic theres, Agency, as a safeguards over its nuclear activities. Nevertheless, Iraqi desires for nuclear weapons have been widely suspected, for several reasons.

Fear that Israel already has A-bomb stock

First, Arabs have long feared that the Israelis already have a nuclear weapons stockpile which could be turned against them. Second, the Iraqi nuclear programme has centred on the acquisition of weapons grade materials, rather than on the introduction of commercial power reactors. Third, President Saddam Husain's aspirations for increased international clout, combined with his threats that his enemies would soon be confronted by a new and more formidable Iraqi opponent, have occasioned concern.

And fourth, after last autumn's air attack, the Iragis briefly refused permission for IAEA inspectors to verify the peaceful uses of the nuclear materials supplied by the

If the Israelis have succeeded in destroying Osirak as well as the hot-cell, then the Iraqi programme may have been stopped in its tracks, for this time it is possible that the French may not come to the rescue. The French Government has become more restrained in its nuclear export policies since the original Osirak agreement was signed in 1975. With M Mitterrand's victory, the French Gov-ernment has become both more anti-nuclear and pro-Israeli.

Presenting Mitterrand with a fait accompli

In fact, the timing of the Israeli attack may have been determined not only by the impending elections there, but also by the desire to act quickly enough to present Mitterrand with a fait accompli before his administration becomes committed to the continuation of nuclear cooperation with Irag. On the other hand the Israeli

action may well provoke the Iraqis to redouble their efforts, and the French to bonour their past commitments, as matters of national pride.

Daniel Poneman and Theodor Winkler

The authors are research associates at the International Instiirradiated fuel and help extract tute for Strategic Studies; they weapons grade material from are writing here in a personal

Henry Moore carves out a new career at 82

Britain's most-revered living sculp-tor, Henry Moore, has revisited one of the haunts of his youth for a new book to be published this autumn. Last year the British Museum invited Moore, who is almost 83, to revisit their world-famous collection of ancient and primitive sculptures to identify those pieces which most impressed him when he first saw the collection as a student in saw the collection as a student in

e 1920s.
Moore, who was delighted by the invitation, toured the museum after hours in his wheelchair speaking his observations into a tape recorder while David Finn, the American photographer, took the pictures. Twelve hours of tape and hundreds of photographs later the British Museum's publications section had the basis of a new kind of personalised guide. Henry Moore at the British Museum, which is to be published in October, includes an introduction by the sculptor, ten sketches he made in his youth while pottering around the museum as a student and his own picture-caption notes explaining the attraction of specific sculptures.

Included in the book are several examples of ancient sculptures that influenced the creation of particular Henry Moore works. Thus a photograph of a mother and child carved. in wood by the Noopkan Indians of British Columbia is contrasted with Moore's own Family Group.

Another favourite is a wooden

fertility god from the Austral Islands in the mid-Pacific. Indeed Moore likes this so much that he persuaded the museum to allow him to make a bronze cast of it—and it now stands in the ballway of his home in Much Hadham, Hertford-

There are likely to be other guides along these lines in future. There must be many famous people like Henry Moore who have, as he told me yesterday, derived their first inspiration from life and their second from the British Museum.

Romantic earnings Touched by the royal romance, the recording industry is enjoying an unprecedented boom in instant

At least 20 singles celebrating the wedding have so far been released, five of them by market leaders EMI Records whose executives waded through an exciting pile of 400 demonstration discs before making their choice.

The best value appears to be EMI's extended player Here's to the Couple, which features Shiela Southern's White Wedding, recorded in 1962, Good Luck, Good Health, God Bless You by Ruby Murray, Michael Holliday and Eddie Calvert (1956), Here's to the Couple by The Spinners (1973) and Solomon King's She Wears My Ring (1968).

Matt Monro has chipped in with timeless piece called, wait for it, Diana (not the Paul Anka original)
and Minnie and the Metros are expected to leap into the record charts this week at around number 170 with I want to be Charlie's

the author, suggested that many of the older, conservative generative is, the more stridently the of the subversive ideas broading the older, conservative generative is, the more stridently the tion was out of touch and not party line is rammed home, the cast by western radio stations able to solve today's problems. THE TIMES DIARY



historian Sir Nicholas Pevsner, is to
join publisher
André Deutsch on
August 1 as joint
deputy managing
director. Pevsner, 48, who was at
one time a senior editor at Penguin
Books, has most recently been running his own company, Wildwood.
House, which he founded 10 years
ago with Oliver Caldecott, another
cditor from Penguin.
Wildwood has had mixed fortunes
and Pevsner probably feels relieved
to be joining a more established

to be joining a more established house. In its early days Wildwood had American backing from Random House but they pulled out after only a few years and the firm existed for some time, as Pevsner

I hear that the scholars of Win-

chester College have had to resort .

to fairly extreme measures to deter

courists from penetrating the

is a natural sun-trap and the coach-loads interfere with the sun-bathing

So to discourage these unwelcome intruders, the scholars recently mounted a dumb-show. Under the startled gaze of a freshly arrived

quieter parts of the school.

Japanese jape

Dieter Pevsner, the son of architect and historian Sir Nicholas Pevsner, is to join publisher André Deutsch an August 1 as joint deputy managing ner, 48, who was at lior editor at Penguin sot recently been runcompany, Wildyood he founded 10 years or Caldecott, another mayin. It is yesterday, "on the smell of a crust of bread". They were taken a crust of bread". They were taken aver by a Dutch firm last year (the same group who have now bought Maurice Temple Smith) and now may be said to have solid backing. Everybody is being coy as to which ideas and which authors Pevsner might take with him. But I wouldn't be surprised if Fag Godwin follows him before too long. Wildwood wood's books featuring her landscape photography have been among their more successful ventures and it would be only natural for Pevsner to continue the relationship. ner to continue the relationship.
Deutsch, whose publishing symbol is shown here and who has been looking for a right-hand man for several months, says he is "the luckiest man in town" now that Persner has agreed to the move. "Dieter is so superbly educated",

set of Nikon-cled Japanese, a college boy, arms cied behind back and mouth foaming with toothpaste, darted across the court with a pair of "male nurses" in hot pursuit. Eventually, the nurses caught their quarry and while one pinned him wriggling to the wall, the other—producing a massive syringe—administered a potent sedative.

This is quite the arrows parely.

The boys especially resent the intrusion of tourists into Chember Court. The court adjoins the chapel, This is quite the wrong psychology of course and can only attract further attention. The next thing they know the boys will be "exposed" by an ATV film unit pretending it is making an advert for suntan lotion.



A shrine saved

Vita Sackville West's writing room in Sissinghurst Castle, Kent, which is one of the most popular literary strines in the country, is steadily deteriorating. Mildew, damp and other blemishes have appeared on the walls of the walls of the string to the state of the string to the walls of the room where the great lady wrote such works as No Signposts in the Sea. Now it is to be redecorated in a most un-

usual manner.
In September, when the last of this season's visitors have gone, the

room will be stripped bare of the brown lining paper which Miss West installed in 1932; damp-proof-ing will be pur in, and Deidre Clancy, the theatrical designer and costumier who has worked on such productions as Volpone, Strife and The Playboy of the Western World for the National Theatre, will redecorate the room. redecorate the room.

Ms Clancy intends a "silver birch" effect for the room but it has taken her quite some time to find a paper with the properties she wants. However, a few days ago she was standing in bakery and found she had stepped on exactly what she was looking for: the lin-ing to the flour bags in which bakers take their deliveries. She has been in touch with the firm which makes the paper and they have agreed to provide enough rolls to redecorate the option

rolls to redecorate the entire room.

When "distressed" with a wet sponge, this paper apparently achieves an instantaneous aged appearance. I know the feeling.

Preserved

The discovery of the mummified body of a 40-year-old newborn baby in an empty house in Wolverhampton is not perhaps as extraordinary an event at it appears on first sight. Professor Keith Simpson, the senior home office pathologist, tells me that newborn babies are much more likely to become mummified than

Apparently, their bodies have not had time to acquire the bacterial organisms that speed the decomposition process. Simpson, who encounters the odd instance of mummification (literally, the drying out and eventual desiccation of

a cadaver) in the course of his work, can number some especially grisly mummifications among his

He recalls with particular feeling "the Dobkin case" in which Rachel Dobkin's mummified body was found under a slab of stone in the cellar of a baptist church in Yauxhall in 1943. Her murderer had made the mistake of sprinkling her body with lime which, contrary to his expectations, has preservative rather than degeneration of the state of the sta rather than degenerative effects.

Apparently Britain's climate is not on the whole very conducive to mummification. Even under ideal conditions—a warm house with a fairly dry atmosphere and a slight draught—it can take five or six months. Professor Simpson suggests the chimney is the best place. In Egypt on the other hand the climate is ideal—a body can mummify within seven days.

A rare flap

Aspreys, the Bond Street jewellers, are hopping mad that a jewelled falcon, with ruby eyes, gold beak and gold claws, which should have been on display in its window today to coincide with King Khalid's visit. is still stuck out at Heathrow, held up by Customs officers taking part the civil servants' industrial

The King is a noted customer of the firm and, of course, a passionate falconer. His visit would therefore have provided the ideal opportunity to sell this particular item which, with another piece also held up on its way from Geneva, is valued at 5500,000.

Peter Watson

audi Arabia

King Khalid ibn Abdul Aziz arrives in Britain today on a four-day state visit. This report looks at the most economically powerful nation in the Arab world, and its long-standing links with Britain

Oracle and a pivot in insecure world

When Mr Philip Habib, the Afghanistan confirmed the American special envoy to worst Saudi fears of aggressite Middle East, set about the Russian intentions in The trying to resolve the crisis in Gulf region, since it brought included not only Jerusalem miles of the vital Straits of and Damascus — capitals of Hormuz, through which the potential belligerent countries — but also Riyadh, where he discussed Saudi mediation in the dispute. mediation in the dispute.

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Nothing could better illustrate the pivotal role which Saudi Arabia now occupies in the Middle East. In the councils of the Arab world, it is Saudi power and influence which as often as not holds the key. Over Lebanon. indeed, it was Saudi Arabia which facilitated the setting up of the predominantly Syrian Arab Deterrent Force in 1976, at the Arab summits in Cairo and Riyadh.

Ideologically, the Syria of Saudi rulers had already felt menaced by the emergence of a radical, pro-Soviet Marxist regime in South Yemen — more properly, the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen — and by events in Ethiopia and the Horn of Africa. The invasion of Afghanistan was taken as further evidence of a Soviet attempt to encircle and strangle Saudi Arabia with Soviet control of its oilfields as the ultimate goal.

This view of Soviet intentions fits in well with present

have almost nothing in United States see Afghaniscommon. Yet it is automatitan, the revolution in Iran
cally assumed that Saudi and the war between Iran
counsel will be listened to and Iraq as causes of
and heeded in Damascus, and instability. at the recent Arab League meeting in Tunis it was Saudi Arabia that took the lead in sowing the seeds of a solution to the Lebanese

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thinking in Washington.
Saudi Arabia of King Khalid Both Saudi Arabia and the

The Carter Administration supplied Saudi Arabia with advanced F15 fighter sircraft, but not with up-to-date missiles for the F15s such as the Sidewinder. Nor would it provide the Saudis with aircraft for mid-air refuelling on the grounds that



Seats of power: The royal air terminal at the new King Abdul Azis International Airport, Jiddah, showing portraits of past and present rulers of Saudi Arabia and an heir to the throne. Left to right: the late Kings Faisal, Saud and Abdul Aziz, founder of the dynasty, the reigning King Khalid, and Crown Prince Fahd.

Richard Owen

David Spanier examines Anglo-Saudi relations

Contact closer after dispute

the British Government's side there is a much greater awareness and understand-ing of Saudi sensibilities and

ing of Saudi sensibilities and aspirations, and there is more than might appear in common between the two countries in their international policy.

What is particularly striking is how one of Lord Carrington's main ideas about the Middle East took hold during his visit to Saudi Arabia at the beginning of 1980. It was directly implanted in the Foreign Secretary's mind by Prince Saud al-Faisal, Foreign Minister, which shows the influence personal contacts can have.

Just after the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan the Foreign Secretary set off on a lightning tour of South-west Asia, to rally support and show the flag. After a stopover in Turkey talking about the Western alliance, and a couple of days in Oman listening to the Sultan's request for new arms, Lord Carrington found himself in the blazing sunshine of Riyadh.

The blazing sunshine of Riyadh.

It was a difficult mission new Iranian regime, they with no precise objective in view and perhaps the foreign Secretary was supple clear idea when it was interpreted as an explained was that it now no process of past and present to the austered tradition of the Wahabi sect on whose Islamic values the dispute of succeed Faisal in 1975 because of his retiring nature sand ability to conciliate, has so far managed to steer sand ability to conciliate, has so far managed to steer sand ability to conciliate, has so far managed to steer sand ability to conciliate, has so far managed to steer sand ability to conciliate, has so far managed to steer sand ability to conciliate, has so far managed to steer sand ability and the rights of the Palestinians. This was not a new in the event, the final decision was to inform the British mians. This was not a new in the kingdom was no longer welcome.

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Diplomacy sometimes moves "European initiative" of the in a mysterious way. The Venice declaration later that dispute over the television summer. It was a joint film Death of a Princess has European effort, but Lord had the effect of drawing Carrington played a leading

had the effect of drawing Anglo-Saudi relations closer than they have been for a long time.

It would obviously be going too far to describe the two countries as enjoying a warm friendship; their cultures are too far apart for that, leaving aside all the other obstacles of language, religion and distance. But on the British Government's and did.

Declaration intensely annoyed the Israelis, and did not please the Palestine Liberation Organization all that much either, is another matter. Britain is still pushing the idea behind it, which is that both Israel and the is that both Israel and the Palestinians must move towards each other; the Palestinians in recognizing Israel's right to exist on one side, and Israel in accepting the Palestinians' right to

The success of this visit however, when everything seemed to go well, did not prevent the serious rupture in Anglo-Saudi relations in Anglo-Saudi relations caused by the television film a few weeks later. Probably the Foreign Office should have reacted earlier or faster, to assuage the out-raged feelings that the film was bound to arouse, but time was short.

The Saudis are far more and the English language and the English language and the English press than to other foreign media. Coming after the saizure of the mosque in

His visit convinced Lord diplomatic break. The emcarrington of the need to do
something constructive
about the Arab-israel dispute, in a European context,
a conviction which necessary.

a conviction which persuaded him to push the so-called continued on next page

Low-key UK influence since lost early initiative

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Ibn Saud, although his own excuse to wave the flag.

British medical skill is in interests did not always Compared with the Americal big demand in Saudi Arabiz, although it has to compared with those with those of Bric can, British influence in all although it has to compared with the American the

signed with Britain in 1914. Tecognized Jbn Saud's sovercignty in eastern and central Arabia — the Nejd and AlHasa. Full diplomatic relations with his expanded in building military claims from a gap between 1956 — after the Suez crisis — and 1963, those relations have been maintained.

Early understanding between the two countries was greatly helped by talented British representatives in the Gulf. Stalked by the ghost of its colonial past, There are also British Countries and the Genary and Saudi Arabia and its concern to defend its oil interests in The Gulf. Stalked by the ghost of its colonial past, There are also British Countries are really between the two countries was greatly helped by talented British representatives in the Gulf. Stalked by the ghost of its colonial past, There are also British Countries are really between the two countries was greatly helped by talented British representatives in the Gulf. Stalked by the ghost of its colonial past, There are also British Countries are really between the two countries was greatly helped by talented British representatives in the Gulf. Stalked by the ghost of its colonial past, There are also British Countries are between 60 and 70 involved in building military there are between 60 and 70 involved in building military there are between 60 and 70 involved in Haff al-Batin, naval bases at Jubayl and Jiddah, a Council-appointed in involved in Haff al-Batin, naval bases at Jubayl and Jiddah, a Council-appointed involved in Haff al-Batin, naval bases at Jubayl and Jiddah, a Council-appointed involved in Haff al-Batin, naval bases at Jubayl and Jiddah, a Council-appointed involved in Haff al-Batin, naval bases at Jubayl and Jiddah, a Council-appointed involved in Haff al-Batin, naval bases at Jubayl and Jiddah, a Council-appointed involved in Haff al-Batin, naval bases at Jubayl and Jiddah, a Council-appointed involved in Haff al-Batin, naval bases at Jubayl and Jiddah, a Council-appointed involved in Haff al-Batin, naval bases at Jubayl and Jiddah, a Cou ondary schools.

coincide with those of Britain. When he set up his own commercial car agency in Jiddah the contract was with Ford, not a British company. But he did suggest to Ibn Saudi that his kingdom should have a radio network, landing Marconi a useful contract in 1930.

British-Saudi defence the British were shipping to appear to a probability of the British doctors and nurses that minority is often highly influential in Cabinet or in the offices of deputy ministrators of the big the British Department of the British were shipping tably pro-British rather than the been helping the ministrators of the big the British Department of the British were shipping tably pro-British rather than the commercial development is Belgian, the Egyptian and the Indian. The Saudi Health Saudis, compared with those Ministry cannot get enough British doctors and nurses and one of its perennial pleas influential in Cabinet or in the offices of deputy ministrators of the British Department of the British Department of the British medical with the American, the Egyptian and the Indian. The Saudi Health and one of its perennial pleas in fluential in Cabinet or in the offices of deputy ministrators of the British Department of the

Fantasists like to speculate how Saudi Arabia would look look the British had hung 1920s. That cooperation lives on to their oil exploration concession in 1927. In the cevent they let the concession lapse and it was picked up by Socal of the United States in 1933. Oil was discovered five years later.

But even without oil interests Britain has played an important part in establishing King Abdul-Aziz Ibn Saud's supremacy over the rest of the Arabian peninsula. At the turn of the century, Britain was the dominant power in most of the surrounding States: (Kuwait, Muscat, Oman, Aden, Egypt, Sudan and Iraq) and keem to replace Ottomat Turkish influence wherever it could. A treaty construction programme being underswherever it could. A treaty construction programme being underswherever it could. A treaty construction programme being underswherever it could. A treaty signed with Britain in 1915 recognized Jbn Saud's sover-cignty in eastern and central Arabia — the Nejd and Al-Haffa al-Batin, naval kingdom were established in 1927. Apart from 2 Labrain and 1928. Apart from 2 Labrain and 1928. Apart from 2 Labrain and 1928. Apart from 2 Labrain and 1927. Apart from 2 L

involved, too, in preserving the Saudi cultural heritage. wooden-balconied houses in the centre of Jiddah was done by Dar al-Handasah (Lebanese in name, but operating from Liverpool and London, as well as Beirut). The Saudi Department of Antiquities also chose Michael Rice & Partners of London to set up six museums at archaeological sites across the country.

Such involvement may be small in financial terms, but the British contribution to Saudi cultural affairs, edu-cation and vocational training carries considerable weight when reckined over the long term — the mutual benefit helping to cement over the cracks which have appeared from time to time in diplomatic relations:

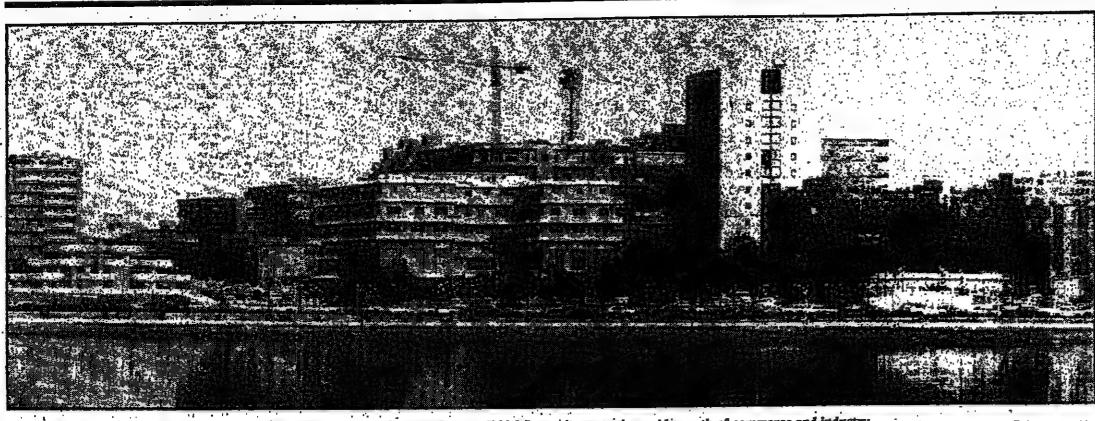
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Towering office blocks on the waterfront at Jiddah bear witness to the rapid growth of commerce and industry.

UBAIT and VANBI Symbols of Change in SAUDI ARABIA



Most of the output from the petrochemical plants

and refinence will be exported, bringing revenue of about \$5,000 million a year when full capacity is

reached. Major ports are being hadt at hoth sites to handle these exports. Juhail will have an

by Sir William Halcrow & Partners of the UK.

will have nine deepwater herilis, while to take ships of up to 50,000 dws, while the tanker terminal will

take up to 300,000 dwt tankers. The commercial harbour has 10 herals, including two for

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The Master Plan for Jubail

New Industrial Town Forge Coast to Coast Link intry as large as Soudi towns of Jubail and Yanbu will have an important part to play. in consolidating the in consolidating the Kingdom's economic unity. Tu be linked by 1,200 kilom-tres of pipelines, Juhail on the Gulf and Yanbu on the Red Sea are two points of a triangle whose

apes is Rivadis. When the Royal Con Yanlat was set up in 1975, Saudi Arabia transform vast areas of desert into hig industrial complexes using highly sophisticated technology. The original 30 year master plan has been scaled down since it was first drawn up, with the help of Saudi Bechiel Corporation and Saudi Arabian Parsons, but the central aim remains intact. This of Saudi Arabia's energy resources and to build round them commercial entrepots which will develop the far-flung corners of the Kingdom.

inventional N The investment required for this development is huge. The cost of the gasgathering programme in the Eastern Province has been put at \$20,000 million, while that of building petrochemical plants, oil refinerics and comprehensive infrastructure is expected to be around \$70,000 million. Such estimates are, of course, highly speculative since the size of projects and the cost of imports may change. Nevertheless, these ligures provide some guide to what the cost represents in Saudi terms. It about equals one quarter of the SR 782,600 million Saudi Arabia

expects to spend in the third five-year

Joint Ventures The main industries are to be joint ventures between either the state oil company General Petroleum & Minerals Organisation (Petromin) or the Saudi Basic Industries Corporation to the Saluti basic industries Companies—mainly from the US. Europe and Japan. While Petromin has handled Saudi Arabia's oil products experts almost since it was set up in 1962. SABIC is a much counter institution. It was founded in 1970 with a capital of SR 10,000 million for the specific task of promoting industries at Juliaid and Yanhit. By March 1980, it had signed four joint venture. three oil refineries.

The Yanbu refinery and petrochemical plants will be supplied with oil and gas from the Eastern Province by two parallel pipelines. Work on laying the pipelines started in mid-1978 and should be limished next year. The oil pipelines will supply I to million h/d to Yanhu, although its capacity will be 2 - 2.3 million b.d.

At Yanbu, the existing commercial port is being extended and design of a new industrial harbour should be

completed this year. Although the main projects t these sites are being handled in to operation with large multinational companies, there are many opportunities for smaller foreign firms in setting up other industries and in providing services. The

government is auxious to ensure as much local participation as possible and has divided up large ontracts to make it easier for local compahad. But there is still plenty of scope for foreign firms, provided they are linked with a Saudi company in a joint venture, the Saudi ' participation in such ventures should normally be

The more Sauch staff a foreign firm employs and the more materials it buys locally, the greater are its chances of success. These considerations are is ith the Royal Commission and provide details of their particular skills. This information is computerised and used to select a list of tenderers for any specific project who will then be invited to hid. ractor is selected, a formal contract

nxonuls en en. The range of contracts and services needed is mexhaustible. Projects include, for example, building houses for about 200,000 m Jubail and about 150,000 in Yanhu, hospitals, recreation craftes and schools, as well as power and desalination plants and other support industries for the petrochemical plants and refineries. between to be provided range from mu adnumistration, transport, security and town planning to post, tele-communications and fi

and ambulance.

Development at Julsail and Yanbu is expected to take until the end of the century, although many industries will clearly be operating long before then. Pertuchenicals output, for example could reach 1.4 million tons by 1963, 90 per cent of which will be exported. The speed at which the plants come on stream will depend partly on how much foreign labour is required to staff them, since dependence on expatriates is of increasing concern to the government. But even if the mace of concern to the government. But even if the paer of development slows, Juhail and Yanhu will still provide Saudi Arabia with a better return on its energy exports and at the same time help to diversity as industry.

ECONOMIC COUNSELLOR The Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia Lordon S.W.1.

Bank breaks records

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of what British papers write and what British television shows the public — a fact which is well understood by most Saudis, especially those who know the West. And however keen both sides were to get back to normal, the British Government's relationship with the media could not change.

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Huge boost for gas production

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'The British in the Middle East', considers the Arabian peninsula through the eyes of both the explorers and the scholars

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Burckhardt went to the Hijaz and the Holy Cities in 1814. Sadlier was sent across Arabia by the East India Company in 1819. It was another 30 years before Richard Burton went to the Holy Cities, disguised as an Indian merchant and travelling with the Damascus caravan, the greatest Haj of all, a huge moving mass of many hundreds of camels and pilgrims, restlessly camping during the hot days and pilgrims, restlessly camping during the hot days and marching at night (much to Burton's rage because it prevented him from seeing the countryside).

Burton's enthusiasm is like that of Elizabethan pilgrims to Jerusalem, their pilgrims to Jerusalem, their scepticism evaporating before the flame of faith.
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sliched, overlooking Mecca,
"the bourn of my long and
weary pilgrimage, realizing
the plans and hopes of many
and many a long year."
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reinforced by his earlier and
later researches into the love
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His account, Arabia Deserta, is an impressive encyclopaedia of information on the Beduin and their habitat. His appalling vicissitudes, retold in Spenserian English (as resembling the "purest" Arabic) are part of the epic of Arabia in British eyes — Pilgrim's Progress sung by the Ancient Mariner although Burton said Doughty's misfortunes were all his own fault for making no concessions to Arab sensibilities. Yet of all men it is Doughty who leaves un mind:

His account, Arabia Deserta, roles.

The last great trayeller in the group is 'Wilfred Rob al-Khali,' the Empty Quarter, in 1946-47. He was not the first to cross it, Philby and Bertram Thomas had preceded him in 1930 and 1931. But it is Thesiger's account which stays in the mind:

"A cloud gathers, the rain falls, men live; the cloud disperses without rain and is Doughty who leaves un men and animals die. In the deserts of southern Arabia there is no rhythm of the

horseflesh". She subsequently set up a stud for the horseflesh in Sussex. For reasons of sex Gertrude Bell hovers on the edge of the group but her own visit to Hayii in 1914 was not a success and her journey in and out of Arabia was beset by warring and looting tribes for whom any passer-by was legitimate quarry.

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The British were very little interested in the territory now known as Saudi Arabia until the early nineteenth century. However, the weakness of the Ottoman Empire, Wahhabi upheavals in central Arabia, a growing curiosity about the fount of Islam—these finally brought interpid men and women to its borders.

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Twentieth-century Britons enjoying weekend sailing near Jiddah. the commercial capital of the Kingdom

The grand tour taken to extremes

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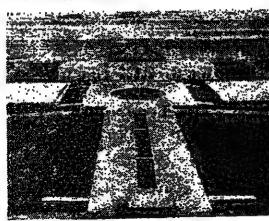
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The New King Abdul Aziz International Airport Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

The International Airports Projects of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia was formed in 1976 asan arm of the Ministry of Defence and Aviation under the leadership of His Royal Highness, Prince

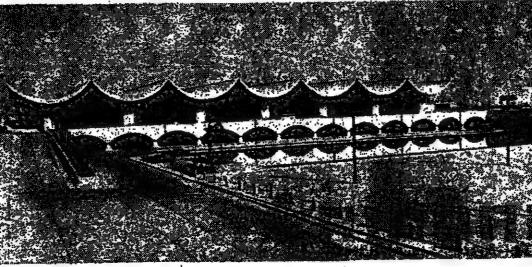
The mission of the IAP is to plan and build airport facilities vital to the continued social progress and economic growth of the Kingdom. It is headed by Brigadier General Said Yousef Amin, who serves as Director.



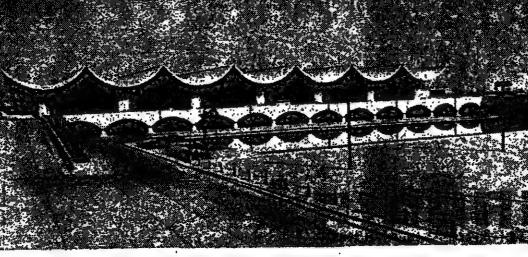
IAP has just opened one new international Airport and is building another. The new King Abdulaziz International is located at Jeddah. King Khalid International is being built near Riyadh, Capital City of Saudi Arabia. At the same time, planning is underway for a third new airport in the Eastern

The airport projects are part of the Kingdom's development program being led by His Majesty, King Khalid, His Royal Highness, Crown Prince Fahad, and His Royal Highness, Prince Abdullah, Second Deputy Prime Minister and Commander of the National Guard.

Work on KAIA began in 1974 during the reign of the late King Faisal. That same year, initial planning began for the second of the three airports being constructed by IAP-King Khalid International.



The three new airports are destined to play a major role in the overall transportation program of the Kingdom and will help the Kingdom fulfill the goals established by the King and the Council of Ministers in the Five Year Development Programs.



Work on KKIA is now over 30 percent complete and the airport is tentatively scheduled to open :



The third airport scheduled for construction by the IAP will be located near the Arabian Gulf on a site near the cities of Dhahran and Dammam. The New Eastern Province Airport will serve the big new industrial complex, port and naval base at Jubail.

It will also serve as a gateway to the big shipping terminal at Ras Tanura, the world's largest oil port. EPIA is still in the planning stages and no date has been set for the start of construction.

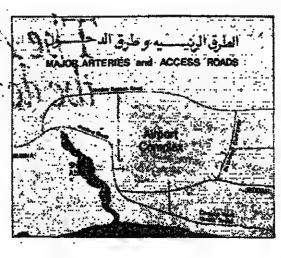
Both KAIA and KKIA have master plans which provide not only for current needs but also set aside space for future needs. The design and location of the airports are such that the impact of noise, air pollution and congestion will be reduced to a

IAP is "tracking" current needs and projecting future needs by computer in order to assure that additional airport facilities are available as the Kingdom's needs continue to grow.

All three airports will stimulate growth in the private sector of the economy. They will generate thousands of new jobs related to the air transportation industry.

Not only jobs with airlines but in other fields as well, including air cargo handling, food service, air traffic control, ground transportation, hotel operations and merchandising.

In addition to being centers of economic activity and operating air terminals, the airports will be Places of beauty. Their designs are true to Islamic architectural traditions and they complement the natural beauty of the desert that surrounds them.



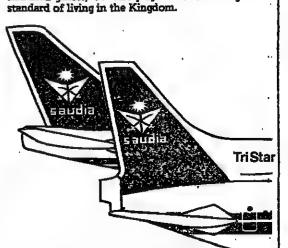
The religious environment of the Kingdom will be evident at each airport. Mosques in each terminal building will offer peace and tranquility for Muslim faithful who turn each day toward Mecca to pray.

Both KAIA and KKIA are being built to operate in the most efficient manner possible, utilizing the latest in airport technology.

It is the goal of the IAP to provide a balanced. systems approach to meeting the Kingdom's air transportation needs,

IAP is a service organization whose personnel are dedicated to providing well-designed and well-operated facilities. As General Amin points out: "We must care not only about the function of the buildings but also about the beauty of the buildings and their relationship to the Saudi

By playing a role in raising the standard of the facilities provided to the citizens of the Kingdom and their guests, IAP also plays a role in raising the



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ISRAEL'S PRE-EMPTIVE STRIKE

The claimed destruction by Israel of the Iraqi nuclear installation just outside Baghdad will raise fears of fresh tension in the Middle East. The precision of the attack, and the fact that Sunday was chosen because French technicians at the plant would not be on duty, testify to Israeli skill and sophistication, but do not alter the aggressive and highly dangerous character of the Israeli action.

The Israeli fears which lie behind this drastic act are understandable. Israel feels itself to be surrounded by sworn enemies bent on the destruction of the Jewish state. The possi-bility that an Arab country might at some stage be in a position to build a nuclear bomb and either use it against Israel, or even merely threaten to do so, has long haunted the minds of Israeli leaders. Israeli intelligence must have secured what it regarded as convincing evidence that this had happened in the case of Iraq. The Iraqis signed an agreement with France in 1975 for the supply of two nuclear reactors for the generation of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes, a project due to be completed by the end of this year. Israel has always believed that the true Iraqi intention was to acquire the expertise and materials for the manufacture of nuclear weapons.

So it has set out to undermine the French-Iraqi nuclear programme from the beginning. Two years ago, essential parts destined for nuclear reactors at the Baghdad installation were badly damaged in an act of sabotage at a strictly-guarded warehouse near Toulon. A year later, a senior Egyptian nuclear physicist working on the Iraqi project was murdered in Paris.

In neither case was responsi-bility established, but the pro-fessionalism of the operations has led to strong suspicion that the Israeli security services were behind both.

To destroy the Baghdad facility — having failed to delay its completion altogether would be a natural extension of would be a natural extension of this strategy. There is, however, a fundamental weakness in Israel's policy. Sunday's preemptive strike may — from Jerusalem's point of view — have removed the present danger. But eventually the Iragis will recover, and their nuclear programme will be restored. For programme will be restored. For that matter, other Arab countries may acquire nuclear reac-tors and research facilities, as Libya for one has already done. The logic of the Israelis' position, in other words, condemns them to a perpetual struggle to prevent any Arab country from developing nuclear energy, on the grounds that the technology and facilities involved might at some stage be turned against Israel - an impractical and probably self-defeating course of action.

A far better answer lies in the strengthening of the verification procedures employed by the International Atomic Energy Authority in Vienna (IAEA). The present controls are certainly inadequate, and need tightening up. Despite French denials, there is evidence that the Iraqis have been able to evade the conditions imposed and had acquired sufficient weapons-grade enriched uran-ium to build a nuclear device.

The question is whether Israel, which has its own advanced nuclear programme, will contribute in a positive way to an attempt to improve and increase the powers of the

IAEA, or whether it will pursue its present policy of interdiction without regard to the views of the world community. There must be a suspicion that the Israeli attack, coming as it has at the height of the election campaign in Israel, was intended not only to prevent the Iraqi nuclear programme from reaching a critical stage, but also to impress Israeli public opinion with the toughness and determination of the present Israeli Government. The Israeli Prime Minister, Mr Begin, has already gained in popularity as a direct result of his belligerent stance towards Syria over the question of Lebanon, and the raid on Iraq seems bound to raise his standing a notch or two higher in the ever of the Israeli in the eyes of the Israeli

electorete.
Given the broad political picture in the Middle East, the raid is not necessarily in Israel's interests, and could rebound against it. Israel, after all, has against it. Israel, after all, has de jure peace on its border with Egypt, and de facto peace with Jordan. Even Iran, distracted by its conflict with Iran, had in practice moved away from the group of radical states — headed by Syria and Libya — which are most vociferous in their opposition to Israel. The only "active" from with which Israel had to concern itself, therefore, was the Syrian one, and Israeli calculations in Lebanon must calculations in Lebanon must have been partly based on the assumption that no Arab state least of all Iraq — was likely to go to the aid of the Syrians in the event of war. The Israeli bombing raid has upset such calculations, and will almost certainly lead to a change in Iraqi thinking. It may cause rejoicing in Israel in the short term, but it has not guaranteed Israeli security in the longer

NUCLEAR BALANCE IN EUROPE

The announcement over the weekend that American and Soviet officials are to begin preparatory talks on the re-duction of missiles in Europe is a further sign that the Reagan Administration is heeding the views of its European allies on this issue. Until recently the Administration was extremely reluctant to enter arms talks of any sort with the Soviet Union. It had made no move to re-start the Salt talks on strategic arms limitation — leaving the Salt II treaty still unratified. The main emphasis was, and continues to be, laid on building up American military strength, on the prin-ciple that the United States would arm first, and then talk. But the representations of Herr Schmidt, and the observations made by the State Department of developments in Europe, have convinced President Reagan and his advisers that this policy will not work in the sensitive area of missiles in Europe.

Nato took a decision in 1979 to deploy a total of 572 Pershing and cruise missiles in five European countries — Britain, West Germany, Italy, the Netherlands and Belgium. The objective was that they should be a more effective force than the older missile systems, in-cluding aircraft, which had become more vulnerable to Soviet attack; and it was given urgency by the rapid build-up of Soviet SS20s targeted on Europe. Even so, there was reluctance in certain sectors of European public opinion to accept the missiles, and that has

continued. Belgium and the Netherlands have still not given parliamentary approval for the missiles allotted to them — and the government which is eventually formed after the recent Dutch election is unlikely to be any more successful. In Britain and West Germany there is opposition on the left wings of the Labour Party and the Social Cromyko, the Soviet Foreign Democratic Party respectively; while in Italy, although opposition has been confined to the Communist Party, the issue has shown signs lately of becoming a more controversial one.

In order to make the deployment of the missiles more acceptable, therefore, their in-stallation has been quite specifi-cally linked to the opening of negotiations with the Souter Union. In other words, work on the missiles would begin, but at the same time talks would be held to see if Moscow was prepared to make reductions on its side. If it is, some or all of the Nato missiles would not have to be deployed; if it is not, then it becomes patently obvi-ous that they are needed. The Soviet Union at first rejected this approach, saying that it would only talk if Nato pre-viously reversed the decision to deploy the missiles. But it subsequently changed this position in response to an approach from Herr Schmidt. And more recently Herr Schmidt has been actively cajoling the Reagan would be exposed to a Soviet attack, tations along the lines set out by Nato in 1979. His argument is that only if negotiations are the whole of west would be exposed to a Soviet attack, any certainty that that only if negotiations are the whole of west would be exposed to a soviet attack, any certainty that that only if negotiations are

really begun will it be possible to hold the line against op-ponents of the missiles, not just in Germany but elsewhere in

this assessment and talks will begin this week, with a view to a meeting between Mr Haig, the Secretary of State, and Mr Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, in September It is important that they should be treated seriously. Until now the Americans have been visibly reluctant about them, while the Europeans, though keen that they should be held, have not reached a common negotiating position. But they need to be approached with the clear intention of either bringing about a real reduction in the number of missiles, being deployed in Europe or else demonstrating for all to see that the Soviet Union is not prepared to disarm. Meanwhile preparations

Meanwhile preparations should continue for the deployment of the Nato missiles; and the fact that negotiations are about to get under way should be used to convince doubters that Nato is ready to talk as well as to rearm. There can be no doubt that Moscow would like to keep its SS20s in place and be spared any response from Nato
— a solution recommended by some opponents of the Nato missiles. But if that happened, the whole of western Europe would be exposed to the threat of a Soviet attack, and without any certainty that the United States would put itself at risk in

LEADERS OF LAST RESORT

Until 1979 there was officially no leader of the Labour Party. The parliamentary party elected its own leader, who was accep-ted de facto as leader of the whole party. Then in 1978 the party conference voted in favour of the person elected by the PLP being recognized as the official leader of the party. This change was incorporated in a formal constitutional amendment the following year. But this was the beginning not the end of the process. Last year's conference decided that the PLP should no longer have the right to choose the leader, and the special Wembley conference in January created an electoral

college for the purpose.
So instead of the parliamentary party's choice being presented as a fait accompli to the party in the country, the electoral college's selection will be foisted on the party in Parliament. That is the natural interpretation of the Wembley conference decision. But Mr James Callaghan took a more robust line in the interview that was published in *The Times* yesterday: "MPs cannot be expected to accept somebody who is foisted upon them if they do not believe from their knowledge that he is the best man to lead them in the day to day struggle in the House of Commons or into an election".

Mr Callaghan went on to point out that Labour MPs still have the responsibility of electing their own leader and his deputy each year: "I trust they will not deprive themselves of the right

Callaghan is suggesting that the parliamentary party should not renounce its capacity to provide itself with different leaders if it does not approve of those chosen by the electoral college for the party as a whole.

It would be perfectly possible

to establish the custom whereby the party had one leader in the country and a different one in Parliament That is the practice. in West Germany, where the Chancellor or Chancellor-candidate is not usually the same person as the party chairman. The example is often quoted of the Social Democrats. there, with Mr Helmut Schmidt as Chancellor enjoying a long and fruitful partnership with Mr Willy Brandt as party chairman. But the arrangement works

well in that instance partly because of the personal factor— Mr Brandt has national authority in his own right without being in any way a rival to Mr Schmidt for the Chancellorship - and partly because it is generally accepted that this division of responsibility is a division of responsibility is a accept the electoral college's good idea. That would not be choice for either the leader or the case with the British Labour, his deputy, there would be an even fiercer quarrel within the ence voted to transfer the party than has yet occurred responsibility for electing the That might be healthy in the leader from the PLP to an long run, because Labour will. electoral college it was part of a go from bad to worse if it does

particular purposes. A party no sign at the moment that it that seeks to curtail the right to has the stomach for such a independent judgment of its fight.

to do so". In other words, Mr .- MPs is not likely to develop the wisest policies or to be respon-sive to the electorate at large; and a party that will not leave the election of its leader to the parliamentary party is depriving itself of the best means of making a wise choice. Labourwould have done much better to have stuck with its long-standing leadership arrangement, as Mr Callaghan clearly appreciates, Each change has been for .tha worse.

But in voting for a change the conference was not voting for a dual leadership. Mr Callaghan is not therefore pointing the way to an amicable division of responsibility that would resolve the party's disputes. He is, on the contrary, suggesting that the parliamentary party should be prepared if necessary to commit an act of defiance. It is essential that it should keep open this possibility, but there should be no illusions about either the implications or the prospects.

If the PLP is unwilling to deliberate campaign to curb the not learn to respect its MPs. But power of the MPs.

That campaign has been on the part of the PLP to see misguided in its general and its that battle through, and there is

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dictating to universities

From Mr K. L. Stretch . . . Sir, Professor Griffish (June 3) should know that appetling years out of time on grounds that have no legal or equitable justification is a hopeless gesture. Payers of pipers have been calling the tune since time whereof the mamory of man

The universities sold their free-dom when they acquiesced in the transformation of the University Grants Committee from a minor,

Grants Committee from a minor, pump-priming operation into a convenient pork-barrel, providing all their wants without their having to worry about even the remotest market feedback.

If they want to recover their freedom, let them put all their fees up to cover the cost of courses fully. The rediscribution of funds to cover whatever level of student support different authorities consider desirable could be dealt with in the promised review of local government finance; while the anomalies and resentment caused by different rates for United Kingdom and foreign students would be liquidated at a stroke. at a stroke.

Yours faithfully, LEWIS STRETCH, 1 Manor Close, Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Leicestershire. June 4.

Graduate prospects.

From Dr A. F. Trotman-Dickenson Sir. Your headline of June 2, "Universities turn out candidates for the dole" is not generally true. Graduates of British universities have 2 far better chance of obtaining employment than other new entrants to the British job

new entrants to the British job market.

By last December only 7 per cent of those who graduated at UWIST (University of Wales Institute of Science and Technology) in 1980 were classified together as "still seeking" and "temporary employment". Other technological universities have reported similar figures, which have been achieved by an increased entry to industry off-setting a decrease into public service. The value of a vocational degree is clearly demonstrated. It is unfortunate that cuts in university expenditure will in future deny many young people this path to success. Yours faithfully,

A. F. TROTMAN-DICKENSON, The University of Wales Institute of Science and Technology,

Children and the bomb From Mr John Stokes, MP for Halesowen and Stourbridge (Con-servative)

servative)

Sir. The Bishop of Tonbridge writes in his letter of June 2: "They [the young] are as partiotic as the rest, but they see no point in the use [my italics] of weapons which are unselective, indecisive and massively destructive."

This seems to be muddled thinking The whole point of the nuclear deterrent in the West is to prevent war and the use of these

nuclear deterrent in the West is to prevent war and the use of these weapons. This policy has been successful for over 30 years. If the West were to abandon the nuclear deterrent unilaterally there would be nothing to stop a Soviet invasion, with their enormous superiority of conventional weapons—as happened in Afghanistan, and may happen in Poland. I think normal children are perfectly capable of understanding this.

Yours faithfully. Yours faithfully, JOHN STOKES,

Music in hospitals

From Mr Sam Heppner
Sir, In claiming that "few musicians
can have performed in psychiatric
hospitals", Peter Watson (Diary,
May 22) is hopelessly wrong.
We have been going for more than We have been going for more than a quarter of a century and last year slone we arranged over 600 hospital concerts, most of them in psychiatric and geriatric wards or institutions, including Broadmoor, and many of the resident doctors paid tribute to the therapeutic effects of music on the mentally ill.

Yours faithfully, SAM HEPPNER, Vice-Chairman, The Council for Music in Hospitals, 56, Sandy Lane, Petersham, Petersham, Richmond,

Surrey.

Words and figures From Mr John E. Reeve

Sir, The charm of the word "exponential" (Philip Howard, May 25) surely lies in its determination to remain with us. Exponential growth implies that the bigger it gets the laster in grows whilst exponential decay implies that the smaller it gets the slower it goes.

Yours faithfully, TOHN F. REEVE. JOHN E. REEVE, The Old Rectory,

Salvation Army work From Mr Gordon Rockett

Frem Mr Gordon Rockett
Sir, Arnold Bruwn, General of the
Salvation Army, in his letter (May
27) rightly states it is not the
practice of Salvationists to spring to
their own defence to answer critics.
But there are many others, including myself, who are prepared to do
that—and probably better informed
than the television researchers who
set off to fight a battle but could not
home to win the war:

set off to fight a battle but could not hope to win the war.

There are few people who have no personal experience of the work of the Salvation Army, both in the United Kingdom and abroad. The programme investigated only a few hostels for men while quoting financial figures of the army which cover a spectrum of social work far greater than the 42 homes for men in need.

Salvation Army officers in every

"Salvation Army officers in every town in this country work hard to help sudden cases of homelessness, sickness, lack of money for food.

People and organizations seek out local Salvationists to help and they are never found lacking. Much of the cash for these local emergencies comes from the finance provided by the army headquarters — from the

Government and the Civil Service

From the General Secretary of the with a unilateral decision to Union of Communication Workers suppress independent reports about Sir, It is a little more than 10 years ago that our union was involved in a long strike against what we considered was an unjust pay settle-

sidered was an unjust pay settlement.

During the whole of the seven long weeks in which there was no Post Office postal service in the United Kingdom we were badgered by both the Government and the press to accept the need for arbitration on the pay dispute. Eventually there was set up a committee of inquiry which brought the dispute to an end.

What has changed over this last 10 years? Why is it that arbitration was pressed on as and yet is being denied now to civil servants? Can it be that the Government fear the outturn will not be in their favour and that they are so convinced they are treating civil servants badly that they cannot face an open argument about the facts and an umpire's decision?

All disputes end, as ours did, by the parties sitting around a table. Unconditional surrender of either party can only damage industrial relations and that damage could be long-term. It is time now for both sides to cut out the rhetoric and call upon an umpire.

upon an umpire.
What have the Government to fear if they are sure of the justice of their case?

Yours faithfully, TOM JACKSON,
General Secretary,
Union of Communication Workers,
UCW House, Crescent Lane, SW4.

From the Secretary General of the Council of Civil Service Unions Sir, You suggest (leading article, June 6) that I use more moderate language to describe the Government's approach to the Civil Service dispute. What "camlogue of swindles and perversions" do you spagest?

suggest?
Should I applaud the fact that Government have dumped an elec-tion pledge about Civil Service pay bargaining? Have I to sympathise

Africal
Dr Savimbi is one of the most Dr Savimbi is one of the most impressive African leaders since Sig Abubakar - Tafawa Balewa, the murdered Nigerian leader. His support is firmly based on the people of southern Angola, who are held down by the MPLA and their Cuban allies: He would undoubtedly have been a leader of the Angolan

Plight of Mr Klebanov

the plight of Vladimir Klebanov, the most prominent of the Soviet trade union dissidents, is not allowed to slip into obscurity. For 25 years he has struggled for improved working conditions for miners in the Soviet Union and was one of the first to speak out openly for free trade unionism.

Following reports of Klebanov's detention and a personal plea directed to them the National Union of Mineworkers took up his case with Mr Efremenko, president of the official Soviet coal miners' union. Mr Efremenko gave his personal assurance that Klebanov was suffering genuine psychiatric

Rara avis. From Mr Bob Bickford

Sir, You record (June 5) the presence in Norfolk of "twitchers — birdwatchers who travel hundreds of miles to record sightings of rare

Yours sincerely, BOB BICKFORD. 56 Gorsewood Road, St John's, Woking, Surrey.

men's hostels. Using residents for staff is probably not a good thing, staff is probably not a good thing, although it goes part way in helping a man find his way back into society. Others refuse to be helped yet will be found at the head of a queue when it comes to be filmed for "knocking the Sally Army". But what of the 24 homes for unmarried mother; 48 hostels and homes for women and children and teenagers in need of help; the 12 homes for children in need; the numerous centres run by Salvationist volunteers in the United Kingdom?

All this, and much, much more

investment and property holdings in

suppress independent reports about external pay information? Should I sanctify a Government decision that there will be no return to existing there will be no return to existing pay bargaining and approve this in the absence of any idea from ministers about alternatives? Do I tommend a Government who have broken agreements and ignored negotiating procedures? Do I give 23 hours observed and containing procedures. hearty cheers when Government smash arbitration arrangements and deny unions recourse to third-party conciliation?

What artificial or pretentious language do I use to convince members to swallow the unacceptmembers to swallow the unaccept-able? In the absence of arbitration, to accept a fraudulent prospectus for next year? For 1983 and beyond (and incidentally you have no evidence that Government have an open mind about it) to trust in the

open mind about it) to trust in the lengthy deliberations of some inquiry team?

The Government's approach is malicious and irresponsible because the factual record cannot be disputed and as a result they have destroyed industrial relations in the Civil Service and permanently damaged the Civil Service as an institution. I believe it a gross insult to publicly pretend that unions are unwilling to discuss and when we do so — intensively for 3½ days — Government emerge with four fifths or five eighths of nothing at all.

Thank you, in the circumstances I will stick to immoderate language,

Thank you. In the circumstances I will stick to immoderate language, attempting to choose words for their meaning. It is not my business to "make lies sound truthful and murder respectable and give an appearance of solidity to pure wind."

My quotations are from George Drwell's essay, Politics and the English Language. The essay is worth mentioning, not to display any personal erudition, but to make the point that it is obviously required reading not only for politicians and trade unionists, but particularly for all leader writers.

Yours faithfully, Yours faithfully, W. L. KENDALL

Secretary General, Council of Civil Service Unions; 19 Rochester Row, SW1.

Raids on Angola

From Mr Patrick Wall, MP for Haltemprice (Conservative)

Haltemprice (Conservative)
Sir, The letter by Professor Dorothy Hodgkin and her colleagues (June 1) is-typical of the "peace" offensive now being waged by prominent people in the West, unwittingly and without much thought, on behalf of the Soviet Union.

The signatories object to South African raids into Angola directed against Swapo (South-West Africa People's Organization), yet they do not protest against Swapo raids into Namibia. They object to the destabilization of independent Angola yet do not object to the destabilization of independent South Africal

From Mr A. Murphy Sir, It is desperately important that the plight of Vladimir Klebanov, the

mionism.

Klebanov is now held in indefinite detention in an infamous prison hospital. Because of continuous and nospital. Because of continuous and systematic drug abuse he has lost almost completely the power to walk and talk. He is subject to that form of barbarism for which the Soviet state is becoming increasingly notorious and which Solzhenitsyn has called "spiritual murder".

Sullaning apparts of Klabanacia Following reports of Kiebanov's

birds".

In years of birdwatching I have
yet to see this rare and evidently
neologistic species; but your field
description makes it obvious that it could easily be confused with the very abundant "ticker" — the febrile enthusiast whose interest in birds takes the form of marking ticks against the names (preferably exotic ones) in his handbook list. Perhaps the confusion arises from the nervous tick?

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57p quoted by the researchers as used for evangelical work. Salvationists are far from perfect

and they will be the first to admit this, but they are always first to be found when help is needed. Disaster areas such as Aberfan, Lynton and Lynmouth and the floods in north Surrey in 1968 can vouch for this. Can any other religious organization boast such a record of being prepared to offer practical help? Perhaps there are problems in the

All this, and much, much more must also be paid from the £1.9m used by the Salvation Army to further its work. But we hear of no complaint about the millions of

Covernment had not President Carter come into power and Congress reversed its help at a time when the Soviet aircraft were pouring Cuban troops into northern Angola. It is surely only right that this unfortunate act should be reversed now that the United States has a strong Government. To take a wider view, the USSR may not wish to risk a confrontation

Government had not President

may not wish to risk a confrontation in Europe, but a strategy of indirect approach could win them the battle for resources without risking the life of a single Russian soldier. The creation of chaos through subversion and surrogates in the Middle East and in Southern Africa could deprive the West of both oil and key minerals and so force its neutrality or surrender. or surrender.

At last the United States Government has woken up to the realities of world power politics, hence the propaganda offensive from the establishment of the left. Yours faithfully, PATRICK WALL, House of Commons,

illness. He added that he could not be sure whether Klebanov was detained or was a voluntary patient. Incredibly the NUM accepted the word of this Soviet official who had every monive to defame and discredit Klebanov. They argued that to pursue the matter further "would be interment to insulting the honour

pursue the matter further "would be taintamount to insulting the honour of Mr Efremenku"."

In April of this year Mr Efremenko was charged with "abuse of an official position" and now awaits trial for corruption. He has been stripped of all his official positions and purged from the Communist Party; in short, he is in disgrace.

disgrace.
There is no evidence whatever that Klebanov is guilty of any crime except that of attempting to form a free trade union and of struggling for workers' rights. Surely the British trade union movement, and the NUM in particular, will now act swiftly to campaign for his release. Yours, etc.

TONY MURPHY, 30 Leyside Drive, Allerton, Bradford. June 4.

Mystery tour From Mr Li Ch'in Yuan

Sir, Your correspondent (June 4) might have less difficulty in reading station names from high-speed trains if the former were printed in Chinese fashion, ie in the vertical. Then there would be ample room to site the name boards facing the direction of approach of the trains.

In any case, except for that

In any case, except for that Anglesey station perhaps, there is room for the boards to be placed at right angles to the lines, even with the words running horizontally. With a second printing on the "downstream" side the enthusiastic etymologist would have another change as the board retreated from view

Yours faithfully, LI CH'IN YUAN, Riseau des Saules, Claverley, Shropshire.

the United Kingdom of the Church of England and the Catholic Church both of whom can be seen to be far richer than the Salvation Army could ever hope to be. But where are their hostels and homes for the down and onts? Where are their organized social service workers prepared to battle day and night to find help in an emergency?

Any Salvation Army officer will heed a cry for help, but first he must be able to separate the needy from the strounger. I have personal knowledge of ministers of other churches, when faced with an emergency on their doorstep, contacting the nearest Army officer for help.

General Brown was right when he wrote that to examine one aspect of army work in isolation is like concentrating on the shape of one toe and ignoring the total physique.

This world in which we live is in a very bad way. Without the brave efforts of Salvationists, life would

certainly be very much worse.

Yours, etc. GORDON ROCKETT, 4 Cropredy Court, Page Hill, Buckingham.

Preserving oral records

From Mr D. A. Clarke and Mr A. F. Seldon

Sir. We were interested in Ronald Lewin's letter (June 4) and endorse his plea that "oral histories" be recorded of those who worked on Ultra material and its processing and use during the war while the main participants are still alive to do

It is not just in this field that the United States is a long way ahead of us here in Britain in "oral history". For many years now the recollections of both politicians and officials have systematically been recorded in the various presidential libraries. Yet in Britain it was only last year that the British Orel Archive of Political Administrative History was founded to put on record the experiences of all figures influential in the postwar history of this country. The attitude of the authorities was helpful, but nevertheless some considerable opposition and ignorance was encountered to the work we were doing.

Over the years many letters have appeared in these columns deploring the restricted scope of the official papers at the Public Record Office, Ronald Lewin quotes Goethe to support his argument that much never finds its way on to the files. Those who have examined the official papers know this to be a fact.

Unless a far more robust attitude It is not just in this field that the

fact.
Unless a far more robust attitude is displayed in this country, by both government and scholars, to the importance of oral history hisimportance of oral history historians in years to come will be writing to you not only lamenting the restricted content of the Public Record Office but also that more oral history was not done at an earlier stage. But by then it will be too late: many of the ministers and officials who forged the shape of Britain in the postwar world will be dead.

Yours faithfully, DEREK A. CLARKE,
A. F. SELDON,
British Library of Political and
Economic Science,
10 Portugal Street, WC2.

Pope John's standing

From Mr Peter Hebblethwaite Sir, As someone working on a biography of Pope John XXIII I was particularly interested in your diary item (May 20) which suggested that his prospects for beatification were not good. I fear that the report is

true, but not quite for the reasons advanced.

"Miracles" are of secondary importance, and they can be dispensed with. The 40 English and Welsh martyrs, canonized on October 25, 1970, could muster only two rather shaky miracles between

And if the "devil's advocate" can And if the "devil's advocates" can find nothing worse than "nepotism" to allege against Pope John, then his case will fail. Pope John was scrupulous about rejecting all hint of it. On October 16, 1958, just a few days before his election, he wrote to his 'nie'he Enrica, urging her to dissuada' her priest brother, Don Battista, from coming to Rome. "A steit" he wrote 'beguld alumne he visit", he wrote, "would always be welcome, but at this time it would be inopportune both for him and for me" (Lettere ai Familiari, II, p 436).

me" (Letters at Familian, II, p 436).

Don Battista could expect no patronage from his uncle.

Of course, with the years, Archbishop and then Cardinal Roncalli became the elder statesman, the patriarch of his extended family. They were not rich, and he helped them out financially when he could. But this was a matter of family duty, not nepotism, which he could. But this was a matter of family duty, not nepotism, which he detested. He knew the mot uttered about del Sarto, who like himself had been Parriarch of Venice before becoming pope: "He has turned the barque of Peter into a gondola."

The clearest indication that the bestification cance is not coing well

beatification cause is not going well came on April 26 last, when Pope John Paul visited Sotto il Monte and Bergamo. Here, in the heart of Roncalli country, no mention was made of beatfication. If there had been anything to report, this would have been the occasion to release the glad news — all the more since this year sees the 100th anniversary

this year sees the 100th anniversary of the birth of Pope John at Sotto il Monte on November 25.

Moreover, the Prefect of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints is Cardinal Pietro Palazzini. When unemployed, he was president of a private association dedicated to the Canonization of Pio Nono. Since John XXIII. Priested almost supersident and the Canonization of Pio Nono. John XXIII rejected almost every-thing that Pio Nono stood for, it would be difficult for Palazzini to switch sides and show great zeal for the bearification of John XXIII. Yours faithfully, PETER HEBBLETHWAITE,

Apartment 11, Via della Pisana 193/7, 00163 Rome, Italy.

All for the best

90 Heath Street, Hampstead, NW3.

From Mr Michael White Sir, No doubt the Reverend C. P. Thompson's robust approach to matrimony (June 3) is an heroic stand against the injustice of classification by gender; but when the best man at your wedding turns out to be a woman it doesn't say much for the masculinity of anyone else there. Yours faithfully. MICHAEL WHITE,

Tune 3. .

From Captain D. H. Doig, RN Sir, I can quote a respectable precedent for the duty of "best man" being undertaken by someone of the other sex. When I was married at Holy Trinity Church, Nice, France, on November 9, 1930, a lady friend did this for us. The reason was that I was on a thort leave from the Fleet and my men friends had duties which kept them

elsewhere. I need only add that over the following half-century or so the marriage exceeded our best expec-tations, and the best man is still my best and most valued friend. Yours faithfully,

D. H. DOIG, Field House, 2 Castle Avenue, Warblington, Havant, Hampshire. June 3.

Princess Michael of Kent with her infant daughter, who was christened Lady Gabriella Marina Alexandra Ophelia at the Chapel Royal, St James's Palace, yesterday. Her elder child, Lord Frederick Windsor, is in his father's arms.

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nessed the Ceremony of Beating Refrest by the Massed Bands of the Irish Regiments on Horse Guards Parade.

The Dowager Viscountess Hambleden and Captain Ashe Windham were in attendance.

June 8: The Princes Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, President of the St John Ambulance Associa-tion and Brigade, was present this evening at a Preview of Barnum at the London Palladium in aid of the Order of St John,

The Hon Mrs Wills was in

June 8: The Duke of Gloucester today visited Chorley Town Hall to mark the Centenary of the Borough of Chorley and the Central Lancashire Development Curporation where His Royal Hanness opened Clayton Green Sports Centre.

His Royal Highness travelled in in aircraft of The Queen's Flight, Lt-Col Simon Bland was in

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June 3: The Outen and The Duke
of Edinburgh into evening attended
the premiere of the film The
Competition in aid of the Missions to Seamen on their 125th
Anniversary, and the Variety Club
of Great Britain, at the Columbia
Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue,
London.

Inearre, Shallesbury Avenue, London.

The Marchioness of Abergavenny, Mr William Heselfine and Lieutenaut-Colonel Blair Stewart-Wilson were in attendance.

The Prince of Wales, Chairman of the Trustees of the Mountbatten Memorial Trust and President of the International Council of the United World Colleges, visited Paris today and attended a Ball, given jointly by Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Paris and the French Committee for the Mountbatten Memorial Trust, to send French committee for the Mountbatten Memorial Trust, to send French pupils to the United World Colleges.

His Royal Highness, attended by

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His Royal Highness, attended by Mr Francis Cornish and Major John Winter, travelled in an air-craft of The Queen's Flight. YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE June 8: The Duke of Kent, as Colonel Scors Guards, today received Lt-Colonel Ian McLaugh-ian on his assuming command of the 1st Battalion.

CLARENCE HOUSE June 8: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this evening wit-

Forthcoming and Mrs M Le bas The engagement is announced between Neil, son of Mr and Mrs Harold Buckland, and Margaret, daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael marriages Mr P. L. Rendell and Miss I. J. Follding

The engagement is announced between Piers, son of Brigadier and Mrs D. B. Rendell, of West Street House, Selsey, and Imelda, daugh-ter of the late the Hon Basil Mr A. M. Jolowicz and Miss M. Williams The engagement is announced between Alan, second son of Mr and Mrs. H. P. Jolowicz, of Chalfont St. Peter, and Maureen, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Williams, of Redditch. Fellding and of Mrs Fellding, of Park Cottage, Monks Kirby, Rugby.

was the guest of honour and other guests included:

Brigadier A P Skinner, Colonel D R Bennett, Licatenant-Coloniel J C Wilson, Najor P A Bonnett, Major A J E Hollis, Me Darrick Willingbam and Mr David Allen.

Mr J. C. Burgh, Director-General of the British Council, was host

at a luncheon given yesterday at 10 Spring Gardens in bonour of Senor Lic Fernando Solana, Secra-tary of State for Education, Mexico.

Mr J. P. Grenside, Chairman of Peat Marwick International and Senior Partner of Peat, Marwick.

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Dinner

Peat Marwick International

Mr R. Birch and Miss C. Tritton Mr E. J. Nodder and Miss R. A. G. Mackinney The engagement is announced between Rupert, son of Mr Lionel Birch and Mrs Venetia Alexander, and Christina, only daughter of Mr Alan Tritton and Mrs Andrew McLaren. The engagement is announced between Edward, son of Mr T. E. Nodder, of Hampstead, London, and Mrs T. E. Nodder, of Hamsey, Sussex, and Rosalind, daughter of Mr and Mrs I. S. Mackinney, of Isfield, Sussex.

British Council

Reception

and Senorita C. Ortiz de Zarate Ortiz de Pinedo Dr T. Puttfarken and Miss E. Crichton Stuart Ortiz de Pinedo
The engagement is announced
between Michael, eldest son of Mrs
George Clarke (formerly Hart), of
Willaston Hall, Cheshire, and
Maria del Carmen, daughter of
Senor and Senora Marcelino Ortiz
de Zarate Ortiz de Pinedo, of La
Puebla da Arganzon, Spain. The engagement is announced between Thomas Puttlarken, of Essex University, and Elspeth, daughter of the late Major Michael Crichton Stuart and Mrs Michael Crichton Stuart, of Falkland Palace, Fife.

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Lord Carrington, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host yesterday at a luncheon held at Admiralty House in honour of the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sweden, Mr Ola Ulisten.

West Africa Committee

The West Africa Committee gave a luncteon at the Charing Cross Hotel yesterday in honour of Mr John Biffen, Secretary of State for Trade. Mr E. C. Judd, chairman,

Institute of Cost and Management

Mr W. Hyde, President of the Institute of Cost and Management Accountants, presided at a lun-cheon beld yesterday at 63 Port-land Place. London, W.1. Major-General O. J. Kinaban, Paymaster-in-Chief of the Army,

The infant son of Mr and Mrs Charles Hunter was christened Timothy Michael by the Rev E. W. Evans on Friday, June 5, in the Chapel of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea. The godparents are Mr Christopher Keeling, Mr James Murray Willis, Mr Nicholas Stander Cary (for whom Mr Stmonley Cary (for whom

Christening

Mitchell and Company UK, gave a reception at Claridge's hotel last night to mark the 1981 annual meeting of the Council of Peat Marwick international.

Guests included senior representatives from the Civil Service, industry, commerce and the professions.

Mitchell and Company UK, gave HM Government All Government HM Government Mr Mark Carlisle, Secretary of State for Education and Science, was host last night at a dinner held at Lancaster House in honour of Senor Fernando Solana, Secretary of State for Education, Mexico.

Baroness Halles, of Chelsea, London, widow of Lord Hailes, a former Conservative Chief Winp and Governor-General of the West

Latest wills

Indian Federation, left estate valued at £97,295 net.

25 years ago

From The Times of Friday, June 8, 1956. Power to annihilate

Christopher Keeling, Mr James Murray Willis, Mr Nicholas Stanley Cary (for whom Mr Simon Hunter stood proxy), Mrs Simon Hunter stood proxy), Mrs Simon Anstey, Miss Belinda Gow and Miss Gillian Sage.

Latest appointments
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Latest appointments include:

Sir David Scott to be chairman of the Royal Over-Seas League in succession to Lord Grey of Naunton.

Correction

The Duke and Duchess of Kent Celebrated the twentieth anniversary of their marriage yesterday. It was wrongly stated that it falls today.

Valued at 297,425 net.

Sir Marfin Lindsay of Downhill, of Send, Surrey, Conservative MP for Solihul from 1945 until 1964, left estate valued at £3,894 net.

Mrs Elizabeth Florence Holland Hughes, of Liverpool, left estate valued at £29,168 net. She left fil8,000 in personal bequests and the residue equally between Dr Barnardo's, the Royal National Institute for the Blind and the Imperial Cancer Research Fund.

Other estates include (net, before tax paid):

Cameron, Mr Keith, of Milton underdiold in a single stroke. The Prime Minister's announcement that Great Elizabeth with such patriotic pride of achievement as is compatible with the entire absence of elation. While the first atomic cloud

University news

Other appointments

and Miss k MacDonogh
The engagement is announced between Charles, younger son of Major S. D. F. B. Sheppard and Mrs Victoria Sheppard, and Katharine, daughter of Mr Redmond MacDonogh and Mrs Elizabeth MacDonogh.

Marriage

Captain R. J. Harron and Miss R. A. Gough

Garden party

National Weish-American Founda-

Sir William and Lady Crawshay gave a garden party on Saturday at Llandar Court, Abergavenny, in honour of the president of the National Welsh-American Foundation and Mrs John K. Evans. Among those present were: The Lord Lieutenant of Gwest and Mrs Hanbury, enison, the Secretary of Saturday Consultation and Lady Party, Sir Lieutenant of Gwest and Mrs Honour Court of Saturday, Sir Micholas and Lady Party, Sir Lieutenan, Sir Geraint and Lady Valure Daniel, Sir Geraint and Lady Saturday Valure Daniel, Sir Geraint and Lady Evans, the Principal of University College, Cardiff, and Mrs Boean, the Professor and Mrs Host Theory Hughas, Professor and New Batter Hoose, MF, and Mrs Ross.

William and Lady Crawshay

Southampton
Dr P. J. Ucko, formerly principal
of the Australian Institute of
Aboriginal Studies, Canberra, has
been appointed to the chair of
archaeology from January 1, 1982.
I. Taylor, senior lecturer in surgery at Liverpool University and
honorary... consultant surgeon,
Royal Liverpool Hospital and
Broadgreen Hospital, Liverpool,
has been appointed to the chair
of surgery from July 1.
Dr D. J. G. Bain, senior lecturerin general practice at Aberdeen
University, has been appointed to
the chair of primary medical care
from October 1.
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international economics and E G Rice,
subjective acoustics,
Senior lecturer in continuing care; Dr
G J Thorpe.

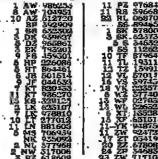
Lecturers: Dr J M. Yoomens, physics;
N N Green and Miss L Lackhaus, 'Izw'
Dr M Gampbell, community medicine.

and Miss R. A. Gough

The marriage took place on Saturday at Christ Church, Kilkeel, co Down, Northern Ireland, between Captain John Redfern Harrop, 2nd KEO Goorkhas, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. G. Harrop, of Church End, Pinchiey, and Miss Rosaleen Anne Gough, daughter of Mr. John and Lady Hyacinth Gough, of Mourne Park, Kilkeel, co Down. The Rev. J. T. McCammon officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Philip, Debonnair and Marlon Anley, Jemimah Pengelley and Miss Caroline Gough, Major David Wynne-Davis was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent abroad. Premium bond winners The £5,000 winners in the June's Premium Savings Bond draw are:



Birthdays today



Mr Tony Britton, the actor, who is 57.

Sir Mark Baring, 65; Mr Geraint Gruffydd, 53; Sir Edwin Hicks, 71; General Sir Rodney Moore, 76; General Sir Geoffrey Musson, 71; Mr S. Gorley Putt, 68; Sir Leonard Sinclair, 86; the Right Rev Dr O. S. Tomkins, 73; Colonel J. F. Williams-Wynne, 73.

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Collection of Spanish coins likely to sell for £1m

Ev Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

By Geraldine Norman, Sa The finest collection of Spanish coins in private hands, formed by Kurt Homme in the 1930s and 1930s, is to be auctioned by Christie's in the autumn. The collection contains 1.177 gold colus, conservatively valued at more than film.

So important do the auctioneers consider the collection that they will start to advertise the sale this week. That is to give dealers and collectors an opportunity to view the coins as they pass through London. They are to be available for viewing until October and will be sold in Geneva on November 25 and 26.

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Most are in fine, if not mint, condition, There are also several important earlier coins.

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Bridge win for Ulster team

By Our Bridge Correspondent Northern Ireland they were out-played and lost by 12—24. In the final match Wales took ad-vantage of England's mistakes to share second place.

Northern Ireland won the Women's Home Countries international bridge series for the Lady Milne Cup at Saundersfoot, Dyfed, last weekend, for the first time since its inception in 1934. England started well by defeating Scotland, the holders, by 26—10 but fell away to find themselves four victory points in arrears to Northern Ireland at the start of Sunday's play.

They picked up six points by teating to reach the top of the table, but in the key match with

Church news Appointments .

burn.
The Rev F T Baker, teacher at the Abbey School, Tewkesbury, discess of Committee of Commit Silky for Si Prancis, North End, same diocese.

The Rev R Broadberry, Vicar of All Saints, Upper Norwood, diocese of Cantactury, to be also Rural Dean of Crowdon North, same diocese.

The Rev. L A A Center Team Vicar in the parish of the Basusrection. Righton, diocese of Cheinester, to be Team Vicar in the United Perish of Southend, diocese of Carlestont.

The Rev. D L Cave, Vicar of St. Barabes, Blackburn, diocese of Endending Calleton, diocese of London, diocese Gioncester. D C Davies, Priest in Charge of St George, Portsen, diocess of Portsmouth, to be View of the same benefice in the same diocese, assecurate at The Raw E W L Davies, assecurate at

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cult to get money out of Spain and prices for Spainsh coins were low on the international market. He died in 1965.

The two main attractions in the sale will be an 1870 Provisional Government 100 pesetas and an 1871 Amedeo I 100 pesetas. In a period of polytical turnoll only a

She went to the United

LYDIA LOPOKOVA A great Russian ballerina

OBITUARY

Lydia Lopokova (Lady Kevnes), the celebrated Russian ballerina, died yesterday at the age of 38.

To those who never saw Lydia Lopokova (properly Lopukhova) in her heyday, it is difficult to convey her extraordinary appeal. She was not a classical dancer in the strict sense of the term. She was short and even rather dumpy. Her features were anything but regular. Her arms and legs had none of the long flowing lines admired in most prima baller. none or the long rowing lines admired in most prima ballerinas; nor did she ever give much thought to her make-up, her costumes, or indeed her appearance in general. Nevertheless, he was a second of the line of she was past question one of the greatest dancers of our time.

The secret lay in her charac-ter: her unconventionality, her vizality and exuberance, and her ability so to convey the joy of life to audiences that when she appeared everyone else on the stage ceased to matter. Indeed, as Mr Cyril Beaumont remarks in his Diaghilev Ballet, she was a born comedienne — and few-dancers indeed are that. Hence her incomparable performance as Mariuccia in The Good-humoured Ladies, an interpretation of Goldoni surely unsurpassed for delicious gaiety and

Although Lopokova lacked classical features, she was technically strong and intensely musical. She possessed the mysterious gift of holding audiences in the hollow of her small hand; and they adored her because she made them smile and feel happy. Ovations such as greeted her at the end of the cancan in the Boutique Fantasque can surely seldom have been equalled.

been equalled.

Lydia Vasilievna Lopukhova was born in St Petersburg on October 21, 1892, where her father was a commissionaire at the Mariinsky Theatre, her mother, whose surname was Douglas, being of Scottish descent. She was the third of four children, having an elder sister and two brothers, all of whom were admitted as pupils to the Imperial School of Ballet and later became well-known dancers. Lydia remained at the Imperial School until she was 16, appearing at the same time in small ballet parts. From the first she was singled out for her histrionic talent as well as her technical aptitude and attracted attention enough among the attention enough among the cognoscenti to be invited in 1910 by Diaghilev to dance the exacting role of the Firebird in Paris. This, her debut, with the Diaghilev company, was highly successful, but she almost immediately left it, though not to return to the Mariinsky.

States, where she remained several years even appearing at times in musical comedy. It was

Lopokova in 1921

not until 1915 that she rejoined Diaghiley, and not until the autumn of 1918 that she was first seen in London, where she immediately won an overwhelm-ing success. Personal reasons,

married to R. Barrocchi, at one time business manager to the Diagnilev company. But the marriage was dissolved after some years and in 1925 she married the celebrated economist John Maynard later Lord,

Keynes.

After her marriage she appeared only now and again in ballet, but on several occasions she tried her hand at acting as Olivia in a season at the Old Vic, as Nora and Hilda in A Doll's House and The Mars A Doll's House and The Mars A Doll's House and The Mars A Doll's House and The Master Builder at the Criterion, and as Céliat the Criterion, and as Célimène in a translation of Le Misanthrope at the Arts Theatre Club. Her strong Russian accent stood in the way of her achieving real success in these parts, however. She soon abandoned the stage for good and thenceforward, until his and thenceforward, until his death in 1946, devoted her death in 1945, devoted her entire attention to her husband, who was for some years in precarious health, accompanying him on all his economic missions abroad. After his death, although at first taking an intimate interest in the ballet enterprises fostered by the Arts Council she adonted a more Council, she adopted a more and more retired mode of life, spending most of the time at her country house on the

MISS MAI BACON

Miss Mai Bacon, the actress, who has died aged 83; was one of the lights, during the 1920s, of what used to be called

musical comedy.

Certainly, she was entirely at home in such a piece as Whirled into Happiness (Lyric, 1922), where she played a music hall star called Delphine de Laval-fiere — who looked and sounded bke her name — in a piece from within three acts to take in a music hall, the garden of a villa at Crouch End, and a West End

bition dancer at the Grafton Galleries, Embassy Club, and Trocadero before her next stage engagement at 20, in the London Pavilion chorus of As

first big success a year later, twirling her sunshade, in Whirled Into Happiness, with Derek Oldham, Winnie Melville,

Derek Oldham, Winnie Meiville, and Billy Merson.

This was her best period.
During the autumn of 1923 she appeared at the Little Theatre in the long run of the cumbrously entitled The Little Revue Starts at Nine O'Clock, with Jack Hulbert and Cicely Courmeidge;

Hulbert and Cicely Courmeidge;

in 1925, she was Olga in a revival of The Dollar Princess at Daly's and during the next year she played an Australian season in Mercenary Mary.

Later, the right parts eluded her, or else they were parts so colonniess that she had to give

them her own colour.

Apart from a good deal of touring she was at the Lyceum (1928) in Lumber Love and at Daly's (1930) in Eldorado. She brought her unflurried professionalism to a number touring musicals and pantomines (as Robin Hood) before, in October, 1938, she had one of her only important straight opportunities, the intrusive Lottie in Priestley's When We Are Married, at the St Martin's.
For nearly six years, the
period of the war, she showed
how adaptable she could be as a

member of ENSA; in 1946, she toured the variety theatres in a single act; and during the following year, had parts in Diamond Lii (Prince of Wales) with Mae West, and in a farce She Wanted a Cream Front Door

(Apollo).
In June, 1948, she was
Volumnia in the Roman musical, Cage Me A Peacock; and her last stage work of consequence took her to the Royal Court (1961) as Bertha in Arnold She acted, too, in films, radio and television.

Moreover ... Miles Kington

Conditions are very difficult at the moment. In these Force 8 winds I find it extremely

hard to type, as the motion of a lock.

the boat often sends the car-riage of the machine to the end of the line before I have started it. I have rigged up a tempo-rary self-righting gear for it, but it breaks down two or three times a day.

I am also doubting the wisdom of taking an electric typewriter with us, as salt crystals are perpetually forming on the golf ball and I have to stop after every paragraph to

after every paragraph to re-move them. In addition, the small generator which runs the typewriter broke down this morning, and only prompt action by "Evoe" Knox-Johnson, my crew, got it going again.
The next time I write the dayto-day account of a voyage like
this, I think I shall prefer an old-fashioned manual machine. The photocopier, though, is working absolutely tremendously and there have been no problems at all. The worst problem about a long sea voyage such as this, I think, is the lack of loneliness.

I am constantly being inter-rupted by the crew with querics about navigation and the set of the sails, as they are called. He does not seem to realize that it is the captain's job to write a lucid, powerful and best-selling journal of the voyage, not to get bogged down in details

This is the latest report received from on board Photocopier III, our entry in The
Observer Transatlantic Boat

Which he is perfectly capable
of working out for himself.
How can I work out alternatives for Cliche's like towering waves " and " scudding clouds if people are always coming to me with moans about spin-nakers being swept away? Next time I shall have a cabin with

> waterlogged copy of a Naomi James paperback, presumably jettisoned by some other yacht. We left it in the water. Two boxes of A4 paper were washed overboard in the night but the other 92 are safe, thank God. I have given orders for it to be lashed more firmly, to avoid a repetition of this near-disaster.

disaster.

The only craft we sighted to-day was a Liberian oil tanker going the other way. We tried to hail it in order to get them

I look at them that it's hardly surprising the English Sunday papers get to New York so late. (© Moreover Transatlantic

Enterprises)

This morning we sighted a

[Speeches delivered June 4] The suspension of a doctor The suspension of a doctor from the practising register as a result of disciplinary, proceedings for any period has the effect, by virtue of section 28(1) of the Medical Act, 1956, of terminating by operation of law his contract of employment with a bospital authority.

The House of Lords in so holding, cast doubt on whether new terms of service introduced

new terms of service introduced in November, 1970, which had the effect of overriding the prohibition of employment of hospital medical officers were lawful; and Lord Lowry and Lord Bridge suggested urgent legislation to remedy them to hall it in order to get them to take my first two completed chapters back to London, but they did not understand us and failed to stop. Neither of us speaks Liberian, unfortunately. I have given orders for photocopies of the chapters to be thrown overboard in the empty bottles so kindly provided for the purpose by the Scotch industry, in case the unthinkable should happen.

The bundles of last Sunday's Lord Bridge suggested urgent legislation to remedy them.
Their Lordships dismissed an appeal by Dr Herman Peter Tarnesby from the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Roskill and Lord Justice Brightman, Lord Justice Brandon dissenting) ([1980] ICR 475) which had held in favour of the Kensington and Chelsea and Westminster Area Health Authority (Teaching), successors to the North West Metropolitan Regional Hospital The bundles of last Sunday's Observer are safe in the hold, if a little damp. The management presumably knows best, but I cannot help thinking every time

Chelsea and Westminster Area
Health Authority (Teaching)
Before Lord Wilberforce, Lord
Fraser of Tullybelton, Lord
Russell of Killowan, Lord
Lowry and Lord Bridge of
Harwich.

Hard the effect of automatically bringing his contract of employment with the board to an end.

Mr Simon Goldblatt, QC, and Mr Barry Green for Dr Tarnesby;
Stanley Burnton for the area health authority.

LORD RUSSELL said that Dr

Tarnesby was charged before the disciplinary committee of the General Medical Councilthe General Medical Council-with professional misconduct and in July, 1969, was found guilty, and his name was ordered to be erased from the register. At that time the only sentence that could be passed was that of erasure: and it was subject to appeal to the Privy Council.

He had been employed as a part-time consultant psychiatrist by the area health authority and

its predecessor, the board, since 1953. The effect of the sentence if not appealed would have been that he would not have been under the Medical Act, 1956, fully

under the Medical Act, 1956, fully registered.
Section 28(1) of that Act provided that "no person, not being fully registered, shall hold any appointment as physician, surgeon or other medical officer... in any hospital or other place for the reception of persons of unsound mind, or in any other hespital... not supported wholly by voluntary contributions..."

Erasure would clearly have Metropolitan Regional Hospital
Board, that under section 28(1) of the 1956 Act, the suspension of his registration for 12 months after disciplinary proceedings

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Erasure would clearly have brought about the statutory ban in the present case. The contention was that the appointment

Doctor's suspension ends his contract of employment employment another, the section affecting only the appointment. His Lordship was unable to accept that proposition: the contract of employment and the

appointment were not two things but one.

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Dr Tarnesby appealed to the Privy Council. By then further legislation had conferred on the disciplinary committee alternative sentencing powers; in particular a power to suspend the accused for up to 12 months. The Privy Council allowed the appeal to the extent of substituting a 12-month suspension for erasure.

Did that substitution have any effect on the operation of section 28(1)? His Lordship thought not. The appeal must thought not. The appeal must be dismissed. LORD LOWRY, concurring,

said that the present conse-quences of suspension from the register could be mitigated only by legislation. LORD BRIDGE, concurring, said that a provision to the like effect as section 28(1) had been

on the statute book since 1858.

The important changes in the disciplinary code of the medical profession introduced by the 1969 Act enabled the Privy Council to make the order suspending the registration for 12 months from July 29, 1970.

More important, perhaps, whereas under the 1956 Act a direction by the disciplinary on the statute book since 1858.

take effect while under appeal the 1969 Act gave the committee a power to order immediate suspension if satisfied that to do so was necessary for the protection of members of the public or would be in the best interests of the doctor.

The precise question was

The precise question was whether the suspension of Dr. Tarnesby's registration on July 29, 1970, had the effect, by virtue of section 28(1) of the 1956 Act, of reminating by operation of law his contract of employment by the board. But their Lordships naturally could not overlook the wide implications of giving to that question an affirmative answer. If the suspension automatically terminated his contract of employment, there would seem employment, there would seem no escape from the conclusion no escape from the conclusion that any suspension of registration, for however short a period it had effect, and on whatever ground it was made, must automatically terminate any contract of employment, whatever its terms, whereunder the person suspended held an appointment in any capacity to which section 28(1) applied.

It might seem remarkable that the drastic effect of any suspension of registration on doctors' contracts had gone unnoticed for 10 years until brought to light by the present lingation. The explanation was that under section 66 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, and regulations made

pursuant thereto, the Secretary led to the dismissal of the of State had power from time to appeal, however, inexorably led to the conclusion that the representative bodies and to contractual provision was void. representative bodies and to approve the conditions of service of hospital medical staff employed in the National Health Service.

Following the introduction by

the 1969 Act of the power to suspend a doctor's registration, there was introduced a term to take effect from November 18, 1970, providing, in effect, for an employed doctor whose registration was suspended to be suspended from duty without pay, but for his contract of employment to continue unless terminated in accordance with the regular procedure. the regular procedure for ermination.

It did not seem to have occurred to anyone to doubt the legality of that contractual provision. The reasoning which

If the 1956 Act by section 28(1)(c) prohibited the continued employment of hospital medical officers who were not for the time being registered, it for the time being registered, it could not be within the Sectretary of State's power, acting under regulations made pursuant to the 1946 Act, to override that prohibition. Thus the appeal uncovered a hitherto unsuspected and most unfortunate situation which called for urgent legislation to remedy it. Lord Wilberforce agreed with the speech of Lord Bridge and Lord Fraser with those of Lord Russell and Lord Bridge. Solicitors: Le Brasseur & Bury; Beachcroft, Hyman Isaacs.

No right to appeal Regina v Bayam and Bayam Mr Justice Peter Pain and Mr When a court makes Justice Bingham) gave judg-

recommendation for deportation under section 6 of the Immigration Act, 1971, and thereafter the Secretary of State makes a deportation order the recommendation of the secretary of the recommendation or the secretary of the recommendation or the secretary of the the person in respect of whom the recommendation was made is deprived of the right provided by section 15 to appeal against the order. Lord Justice O'Connor (sit- section ting in the Court of Appeal with Act.

Justice Dingham, gave Jung-ment allowing appeals against santence by Melvut Bayam and Ramazan Bayam and quashed orders recommending their deportation made on their conviction on June 11, 1980 at Sarbiton Crown Court (Mr Recorder Whitworth OC) of remaining in the United Kingdom without leave contrary to section 24(1)(b)(i) of the 1971

ing success. Personal reasons, however, again caused her to leave the company — and the stage — after less than a year with it; and her next roles were those of the Lilac Fairy and Princess Aurora in Diaghiler's superb production of Tchaikovsky's Sleeping Princess at the Albambra in 1921. As the the Alhambra in 1921. As the princess she alternated with Trefilova, Spesivtseva and Yeso-rova. Strictly speaking this rova. Strictly speaking his classical part par excellence was not exactly "her line", but thanks to her enchaning personality she triumphed in it

Lydia Lopokova was first

ar Crouch End, and a West End hairdressing establishment.

A Yorkshirewoman, born at likley in April, 1898, she was tall, theatrically commanding (she always made use of her height), and an expert dancer. Indeed, she appeared first at the Alhambra when she was 17 in the chorus of a revue 5064 Gerrard and became an exhibition dancer at the Grafton

At the Shaftesbury (1920), she was Mariette in Ohl Julie. After visiting America, she returned to London in the summer of 1921, and had herefore his summer of 1921, and had herefore the summer of 1921, and had herefore the summer of 1921, and had herefore the summer of 1921.

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Botham keeps captaincy for first Test but England are outplayed

Cricket Correspondent LEEDS: Australia bear England by 71 runs.
England managed yesterday to lose the third match of the Prudential series and the trophy which went with it as convincingly. as if they were still playing West Indies after all. Chasing an Australian total of 236 for eight they were bowled our for 165, their last eight wickets going down for 94 runs.

Quite simply, England were out-played—as conclusively as Austra-lia had been at Lord's last Thursday, Only Hendrick of the England bowlers was as effective as Alderman, Lillee, Lawson, Hogg and Chappell. The regularity with which the Australians cor with which the Australians got the ball past the bat after tea AUSTRALIA
G M Wood, run opt . . .
J Dyson, c Gooch, b Hendrick . .
C N Yallop, run out . . .
K J Hughes, c Gatting, b Jack-

R Sorder, c Jackman, b Wills F W Marsh, c Humpage, b FALL OF WICKETS: 1-43, 2-173, 173, 4-187, 5-189, 6-216, 7-

BNGLAND
Boycott, c Marsh, b Hogg,
A Gooch, 4 Marsh, b Lawson
W Gatting, c Marsh, b Hogg,
I Gower, b Aldorman
William, c Chappell Mog,
I Botham, c Hoghe, b Chappel
W Humpage, c Border,
Aldorman

Middlesex free

from tight corner

The struggle of Middlesex, the county champions, and Somerset at Lord's looked a certain draw

until Brearley declared the Middle

sex innings at 265 for four and conceded a lead of 59. Then Thomson captured two quick wickets and at the end of the second day Somerset led by 80 with eight wickets in hand.

wickets in hand.

The strong Middlesex recovery owed much to Radley and Butcher who put on 146 in their different styles for the third wicket. Radley was first to go baving taken over three hours for his 57 which contained only six fours. Butcher cracked three sixes and 11 fours in his first century of the season. Somerset needed four runs off one over by Thomson for naximum batting points but managed only two and then went to 324 for nine before declaring their first innings.

innings.

New Zealand's Test opener Wright made an impressive return to form with an impressive return to form with an innings of 75 and half centuries from Miller and Hill enabled Derbyshire to gain a useful lead of 53 in their championship game aganst Warwickshire's seamer Perryman found some help with conditions, marticularly a

seamer Perryman found some belp in the conditions, particularly a damp spot where rain had blown under the covers, but Derbyshire made serene progress to declare at 300 for five in 97.2 overs. Wright shared a stand of 70 with Wood and the second wicket stand with Kirsten was worth 92 when he was caught off a ball from Perryman which reared nastly off the wet spot. Steele fell to a similarly unpleasant delivery

themselves

that, on winning the toss, he had thosen to bowl first, What Saturday's match and jesterday's would seem to have thown is that Australia will continue the seem to have the seem chown is that Australia will con-test the Ashes with a useful attack of the faster variety. The Headingley ground, of course, is a law unto itself. No one claims to know for sure what it is that makes the ball move about at one moment and not the next. It did so yesterday evening on a pitch without a trace of grann a plich without a trace of green about it. All credit to the Australian bowlers for making, and taking, their chance, and to Wood, whose century won him the Man of the Match award and gave Australia the runs they reeded.

the Man of the Match award and gave Australia the runs they reeded.

Wood's was a fine innings—properly dogged when it had to be and sustained despite a incriding blow in the box from Hendrick. To the disappointment of a crowd of 13,000 England's only manural grafter. Boytott, failed. Of the stroke-makers only Gatting, Gooch and Willey played any sort of an innings, the first two before the Australian bowlers had really got on to the scent. For the selectors hoping to re-appoint Botham as captain, and for Botham hoping to hear they had, it was a bad day. Botham is, in fact, to keep the job for the first Test match—but it is a tenuous hold.

Australia's innings was built round a second-wicker partnership of 130 between Wood and Yallop. If it was a precarious affair, that was because of the various abarms between wickers. These, for once, were due more to the need to take chances than to Wood's unpredictable calling.

Unfortonately for Humpage they drew attention to his shortcomings. A wicketkeeper, as distinct from a batsman with gloves on, would, for

arew attention to his shortcomings, A wicketkeeper, as distinct from a batsman with gloves on, would, for one thing, have stood up to Gooch, to put a stop to the short singles that were being taken. First with Wood, then with Yallop, a long way from home, Humpage was also found wanting. This is a pity,

AT LORD'S

Total 19 witt dec. 107,3 overs) 304

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-13, 2-21.

MIDDLESEX: First Innings

M. Breariey, c Taylor,
Moscley
D. Bartow, 1-b-w, b Marks
T. Radiey, 1-b-w, b Moseley,
G. Butcher not out
N. Sirck, 1-b-w, b Carner
B. Edmonds, not out
Extras (1-b 7, n-b 5)

Total (4 with doc. 84 overs) .. 263

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-7, 2-69.

must have made Botham regret there being little doubt that he that, on winning the toss, he had batting at number seven or cight could be an acouldition. From the first over of the day Wood was looking for the short single. In the first hour, while the ball was moving about, they were needed to get the score going. So long as England pitched the ball up, runs were hard to come by, particularly against Hendrick.

At 43 in the 17th over Dyson

Hendrick.

At 43, in the 17th over, Dyson was catagint at first slip off Hendrick; in the remaining 15 overs of the morning Yallop made 14. At lunch Australia, then 104 for one, were already heavily indebted to Wood.

The emission for the third time.

Wood.

The omission, for the third time in the series, of Randall and Emburey committed England to finding 11 overs from Gooch; Willey and Boycott. In the event Gooch bonded them all himself-for 50 runs. England, I imagine, would have settled for this, though it meant that the day passed without a single over of spin. would have settled for this, though it meant that the day passed without a single over of spin. When Jackman, off his own bowling, eventually ran out. Yallop, Australia were in their 45th over, in the remaining 10 they made another 64 runs while losing six more wickets. Hughes was out first ball, brilliantly caught by Gatring, above his head, at deep square leg. A lovely throw by Love from the long leg boundary ran out Wood, going for a second run, and Humpage for his mane in the book when he caught Marsh, a potentially important wicket in view of the damage Marsh might have done in the seven overs that were still left.

Of the England bowlers, Hendrick's 33 overs in these three one-day matches cost him 84 runs. He was not only much the most economical of them, but also the best. In the field Gower was superb.

Until tea England looked like winning in a canter. They were then 62 for one after 14 overs; Gutting and Gooch bad followed Boycott's dismissal, caught at the



Wood: quick singles turning into a valuable century.

wicker down the leg side of the fourth ball, with a succession lightning strokes. A fast out was made for fast scoring. For while Garding treated even Lillar with contempt.

Within an hour after tea the with contempt.

Within an hour after tea the match, to all intents and purposes, was won. Not by England, though, but by Australia. At 71 Gatting was caught by Marsh off Hogg. chasing one outside the off stump. At 80 Gower was bowied by Alderman, who contributed as much as a march as other transformat. much as anyone to the transforma-tion. At 89 Gooch, having begun

Wright, e Din, by Perrym Kirsten, r Maynard, b Do:

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-70, 2-163, -164, 4-169, 5-189.

Bonus points: Derbyshire Tpts, War-wirkshire 4.

Umpires: C Cook and R S Horman

ta play and miss for a pastime, gave Madsh the third of his five causes, this time off the inside At 96 Love, having made three in nine overs, played on to Chappell, shaping no known, troke. At 108 Botham, driving at Chappell, was caught at short midwicket. It was against Chappell, two, that England had been hoping for easy runs. When, at 133, Humpage skyed Alderman into the covers, only some brief defiance from Willey and Jackman was left.

Cambridge v Notts Derby v Warwicks AT DERBY

Total (no wkt) ... Total (1 wkt) ... R Compton-Borne

Total (6 wits doc, 103.3 evers) 256

"M J. Harris, R Himeworth, P J
lactor and M K Bore eld not bat,
PALL OF WICKETS: 1-103,
170, 3-035, 4-047, 5-278,

Minor counties HEYWOOD: Lancashire II 176 for sec: Cheshire By (M Walkinson 7 for

Schools matches

.. 1521 Ormrod injured Alan Ormrod, the Worcester-shire opening batsman, and his left forearm fractured by a ball from the Essex fast bowler Phillip at Worcester yesterday and will be out of action for at least six weeks. Ormrod was on 79 when the accident occurred.

Yorkshire face an uphill task

By Alan Gibson BRISTOL: Gloucestershire with three second invings wickets in hand, are 283 runs ahead of Yorkshire.

Yorkshere.

I had been hoping to go to Lord's, where the decisive match of this year's County Championship may well be going on (matches in June, though forgotten in late dramas, can be just as "decisive" as matches in September). But I was intercepted, not by a stop at Didcot, but a tummy-bug at High Littleton, possibly one of the same family as that which is bothering Old. However, we both staggered as far as the cricket in Bristol.

It was a bad day for Yorkshire. It was a bad day for Yorkshire. They were all out for 130, before lunch. The pitch was helpful to the seamers. Willdin was the most successful, but Procter and Brain were not too bad.

They were aided by some excel-lent catching: first by Graveney, then by Sadiq, a remarkable catch. then by Sadiq, a remarkable catch, the little man stretching high to take Sidebottom from a good smack towards backward square leg; then by Stovold, who was keeping wicket (Brassington is unfit), to take the bugged and besweatered Old. Bairstow looked good, but there was nobody to stay with him.

In their second immings, Gloucestershire were soon well away. Yorkshire's capitaln shrugged off the suesters and the bugs and

morning.

Broad stored his third 50 against Yorkshire in three days. Physically, although he is left-handed, he reminds me of the philosopher Green (D.M., not T.H.), a strong, heavy man who dislikes moving from his crease, though he has yet to acquire Green's aptitude for nudges and dabs, With Broad, it is usually four or nothing, Yesit is usually four or nothing. Yes-terday it was mostly fours. He had scored 50 out of 66 in the

had scored 50 out of 66 in the 21st over.
Carrick and Whiteley pinned him down. Impatiently, he lashed at Carrick, and was smartly stumped. Before then, Gloutestershire had lost Sadiq, caught at slip, and Stovold, bowled by Whiteley, a sharp turner. Hignell was caught in the slips, Procter in the deep. Bainbridge well stumped (not bad for a supposedly non-stumping wicket-keeper). Zaner was also our slashing at Carrick but Gloucestershire could ufford these losses and only the weather or an ourstanding innings can stop them.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings 172 (Zahoer, Abhab 71, c B Broad 50 Old 4 for 41) second Innings C B Broad, at Painton, b Carrick 71. Sadis, Mohammad. 6 Ather, b

Sidebottom, c Sadiq, b Wikins C M Old, c Sidvold, b Brain Ramage, bow, b Brain Extras (b 5, -b 5)

Larkins gives a hint of what might have been

NORTHAMPTON: Kent, with nine second innings wickets in hand, lead Northamptonshire by 21 runs. Both these reams are among the 10 counties still awaiting their first win this senson in the championship, sponsored by Schweppes, and without some contrivance the sequence looks unlikely to end for them roday. Kent lost Johnson when they started their second innings 50 minutes before the end bur this was a depleted Nurthampronshire was a depleted Northamptonshire attack's only success.

By far the most srimulating cricket all day was provided early on by, first, Larkins and then Allan Lamb, who each hit nine fours in their first 50 runs. Until mid-afternoon. Northamptonshire

mid-afternoon Northamptonshire averaged four runs or more an over, though this tempo could not be maintained. The Kem bowlers were not always lucky, but their lack of penetration was surprising against the later batsmen, whose intermines were soldern expressive.

against the later batsmen, whose intentions were seldom aggressive. It was a cloudy and windy day, with only intermittent saushine, and the pitth was slow. Dilley was wayward to start with, but improved, and Jarvis often bowled the better line. Jarvis, incidentally, would attract autention in lawn tennis at the moment, being one of cricker's louder grunners as he delivers the ball.

Larkins seemed for a time to be destined for a hundred before funch, but surrendered the initiative and bowling to Lamb when they came together. Larkins made the occasional leg-side hit, but most of his runs came from most of his runs came from flercely-struck blows past mid-off and mid-on, and others that threatened the bowler's ankles. Watching him in this vein brought the thought once again what a significant career he might have had with a shade more consistency.

costly opening spell when he brought a slower ball back to beat Cook's forward stroke in the 15th over. Williams was held at

second slip which brought in Lamb, who needed little time to sertle before scoring freely with a variety of shots. Three fours to different parts of the field from one over by Jarvis were magnificent strokes.

Larkins was out in the first over after lunch. Trying to turn a ball from Dilley, he overbalanced and his back foor went into his stumps. Lamb, who ondrove one six against Johnson, was out when he lifted a forceful stroke on the back foor to deep backward point.

six before an undisciplined drive gave a catch to Knott. Thodall showed some correct strokes but had been in 90 minutes when he gave Underwood a return catch from the last ball before tea. Carter batted with determination as Northamptonshire gathered their fourth batting point. KENT: First Immings 205 for 5 dec (G. W. Johnson 107, M. Benson Sc. Rocking, Griffith, 6 1-11-0; T. M. Lamb, 33-17-74-0; Wild, 22-7-52-2; Tradal, 1-0-41-0; Carren 10-2; Williams, 53-17-74-0; Wild, 22-7-52-2; Tradal, 1-0-21-6).

21-0). Second Innings

B A Woodney, not out
G W Johnson, 1-b-w, b T M Lamb
C J Trayer, not out
Extras (1-b 1, w 1, n-b 1)

BOWLING: Dilley. 20 5-3-Jarvis. 20-1-81-3; Shephen 1-22-0; Underwood. 25-7-Johnson. 21-7-46-0.

Ar 11 for three, Lancashire were in trouble, Imran replaced La

At 11 for three, Lancashire were in trouble. Imran replaced La Roux and Fowler, protecting himself against one that reared victiously up at him, was canght via a glove and helmet. Hughes, higher in the order these days, batted with becoming sobriety until Arnold, switching ends, squeezed are bettered the protection of the product of the protection of the product o

New Sussex spirit puts Lancashire behind to have Hayes and Clive Lloyd taken at the wicket in quick

By Alan Ross HOVE: Lancashire, with one vicket in hand, are 275 runs

Sussex can scarcely do wrong at the moment. The whole of the morning was lost at Hove after heavy overnight rain, but they made such good progress on a cloudy afternoon that by tea they had reduced Lancashire to 48 for five in 25 overs. Wickets were not quite so easy

wickers were not quite so easy to come by thereafter, but by see end they had removed nine Lancashire battmen for 122. Barclay, who seems to have got a new spirit going in the county, used-Arnold, Le Roux and Imran in relays, though in fact he has seven regular bowlers to keep hanny. happy.

happy.

Lancashire's problems were parily of their own making for, misguidedly and without real reference to the conditions, they put Sussex io. They can scarcely have bargained for having nearly 400 runs hit off them, but as a result of Clive Lloyd's decision, saving the manth was all they had left to play for. In the event, Sussex bowied with such fire and accuracy that Lancashire were never other than struggling.

Arnold, who bowied 13 con-Arnold, who bowled 13 consecurity overs towards a queasy-looking sea, made the odd one lift off a length. He got enough movement off the pitch to have all the Lancashiro batsmen pushall the Lancasmre batsmer pushing out into thin air. Le Roux,
bowling uphill though with a
suffish breeze behind him, tended
to picto short, but after David
Lloyd had gone to Arnold at
eight, he produced two good ones

Arnold, switching ends, squeezed one between bat and pad to bowl him. Skinmons, giving himself more room against Imran than was strictly necessary, had his middle stump uprooted to his apparent relief. Two balls later Imran produced a filer for Radford, and Greiz took a fine catch high up at first slip.

Sussey were balted by Reidy. Sussex were halted by Reidy, one of Lancashire's five left-handers. He produced several handsome strokes off the back foot, and thumped anything up to him.

LANCASHIRE: First innings Lloyd I-b-w, Arnold G Fowler, C Barciss, b Imran . C Hayes, c Gould, b Le Roux C H Liped, c Gould, b Le Roux C H Lloyd, c Could, b Le Reux 1
D P Hughes, b Arnold 21
B W Reidy, b Arnold 50
Simmons, b Duren
N V Radford, c Groig, b huran 60
A Kennedy, bot, but
P J W Allott, c Luran, b Le Reux 10
P U Lee, not out
Extras (b 2, c-b 6, n-b 3) 70

Total (9 whis, 53 overs) . 122
FALL OF WICKETS: 1—8, 2—9,
1105. 9—120.
Bonus points: Suares 8, Lancashire 3,
Umpires: D Shackirton and C T
Spencer.

Tennis

Lloyd the brisker of two battling Europeans

By Jerome Caminada John Lloyd lit a flame for him-self at the Queen's Club tourna-ment, sponsored by Stella Artois, which began yesterday, Inspired by the presence of his wife Chris, who because of ligament trouble by the presence of his wife Chris, who because of ligament trouble in one knee has withdrawn from the tournament at Surbiton, and by an urge to reestablish himself in international tennis Lloyd sent winner after winner streaking over the net to put out Christopher Roger-Vasselin, a Frenchman born in London, 6—2, 7—6 in the first

round.
This encounter on the centre This encounter on the centre court was brisk and efficient, between two Europeans of comparatively slender build. Rallies were cut short by both men with masterly passing shots, Lloyd particularly with dipping, backhand returns of service, one of which brought him the first set.

brought him the first set.

In the second set Lloyd's grasp slipped and he lost two services to be 1—4 down, the Frenchman being helped by two drop shots which sat on the net cord, and then just fell over on the right side. After the Englishman had returned the compliment by breaking service twice, there been a long tant tiesbeek in began a long taut tie-break in which Lloyd four times was at match point, before he won the tie-break 12—10. "There's still a long way to

"There's still a long way to go", Lloyd remarked afterwards, although he conceded that he was now "a bit sharper". Speaking then as a husband, he reported that his wife had been advised not to play for four or five days; she would then practice and he did not think she was in danger of missing Wimbledon.

John McEnroe, the top seed at

John McEnroe, the top seed at Queen's, meets John Feaver, mother British player who like Lloyd was given a wild card place at this tournament, McEnroe won the event in the past two years,

OXFORD: MCC. 235 for 4 set (R Humon 51 not but; and 181 for 2 (W Phillips 85, R J Lanchury 76 not out): Oxford University, 111.

BOWLING: Carner, 18-1-62-1: 15—1—50—0; Marks, 18—3—38—1 Lloyds, 4—0—25—0; Bronkwell, 9— 0—35—0. Bonus points: Middlesex 7. Somer-Umpires: W. L. Budd and P. S. G.

Other match

Middlesex v Somerset Worcester v Essex AT WORCESTER

Total (1 wht)

K W R Fletcher, R R Pont, nings, S Turner, R E East, N Scall K Lever and D L Actied to bat.

FALL OF WICKET: 1—9: WORCESTERSHIRE: Tirst Inning: Total 19 wit dec. 107.3 overs) 324
C H Dredge did not bat.
100 overs: 250-25
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-35. 2-44.
7-287, 8-297.
8-297, 8-297.
8-297, 11-78-3; Thomson.
18-2-69-2; Merry, 15-1-58-2;
Edmand: 18-5-0.
18-2-69-2; Merry, 15-1-58-2;
Edmand: 18-5-0.
18-2-69-3; Merry, 15-1-58-2;
Edmand: 18-5-0.
18-2-69-3; Merry, 15-1-58-2;
Edmand: 18-5-0.
19-2-69-3; Merry, 15-1-58-2;
19-2-6

Glamorgan v Surrey SURREY: FEST brings 131 (M Nath 7 for 62)

B Dy Kinght, C Patherstone.

B Losent. E W Jones. 5

Joyd Street. S W Jones. 5

Joyd S Thomas C Nich. 5 Lloyd 47

J Thomas C Nich. 5 Lloyd 47

C J Richards. not out 54

Extra (b 12. b 5, n-5 6) 55

Extra (c 7 with 5 1.56

By Srikumar, Sen Boxing Correspondent

Extras 10 1, 1-b 4) ... Total (58,5 overs) ...

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—2, 2—30, 5—52, 4—54, 5— Total (7 with 1 264 of Monkingure and P I Pocces to bet FALL OF WICKETS: 1-13, 2-23, 3-56, 4-85, 5-127, 6-135, 7-166.

Motor racing PAU. Frence: Farmula two Grand
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(Iday): Varch EMW. 1 334-11-67.
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E Eigh (Sweden: 23pts: Lets 21.

ZANDYGORT: European formula three championship; 1, M Bakdi (Haly), Marsh Alia Romeo, Samin Sacci; 2, A Ferie (France), Martini 4C, 37,700 5, P Strell (France), Martini Mi 33, 33,17, Overall: 1, Isaldi, 46, pt; 2, P Allioi (France), 57; 5, Ferter, 23, Motor rallying

Tennis

BRUSSELS: Belgiam Open. first round: C Edwarf (Brazil: beaf R Fagel (US; 6—2, 6—2; R Yeaza (Etuador) beat F Dalla Fontana (Argentina) 6—2, 7—6; J Norbach (Sweden) beat P Reboiledo (Chile) 6—3, 6—2; F Luna (Spain) beat E Fromm (US) 3—6, 6—5, 6—5; M Mocwar (Brazil) beat M Angor (US) 6—3, 6—5; D Perer (Urugus) beat H Ismail (Zimbabwe) 6—1, 6—1; M Marillez (Bolivia) beat F Taygan (US; 6—3, 7—6; W Ortoja (Yugo-glavia) bear C Motta (Brazil) 7—6, 7—6.

on Guy's 'lucky' number

terday he was counting the cost of a decision to call off the senior Guy, comparatively unknown on

But with visibility down to less

Britain's reigning world cham-pion, Jock Taylor, completed a brilliant double on the course when he won the second leg of the sidecar TT. Taylor, from Pen-caltland, East Lothian, once again led from start to finish, as he did when winning Sameday's first leg

hopes fade in extra time

Hockey

Union, 4—6 in the men's final.

Slough's last hope of a medal vanished when they were beaten 5—2 in extra time by Real Club de Polo (Barcelona) after the score had stood at 2—2 at the end of full time. It was a fine game, enjoyed most of all by the Spanish centre forward, Miguel Chaves. Sliding smoothly through the open spaces, as though on roller skates, he scored three goals in extra time, a rare feat at this level.

The stranded Taylor, in the Slough goal, by rushing out judiciously had frustrated at least two of his earlier attempts to score. Slough, for some reason, neglected to mark him, and Chaves was well served from the rear by was well served from the rear by through passes and subtle over-leads.

Throughout the tournament Stough were unable to make something out of useful situations. They have plenty on which to reflect. Perhaps the ease with which they won their tournaments at home was not the ideal preparation for the tough European battlefield. Slough also had two players booked. players booked.

The Spaniards scored through Padros from a short corner with Barber equalizing. Probably the most spectacular Slough mayoeu-

vre was when Saint combined vre was when Sain combined beautifully with Laly before the latter scored. But Slough's lead was short-lived, with Jorge Garcia converting a short corner almost on half time. There followed the astonishing feat of Chaves who scored the first of his three goods of the primary of cortex was stored to the store that the store the store that the store t

a snort corner.
Glasgow Western, though they played with great spirit, failed to bold the early lead which Lois Connell had given them from a penalty stroke. Amsterdam scored twice in the second half

Athletics

Slough's last | Britain bring out their new china for Dresden

Daley Thompson, the Moscow decathalon champion, will be on duty for Britato in Canada at the same time but Sebastian Coe, Steve Overt and Allan Wells are all unavailable.

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The pressure, therefore, will be on the established internationals, David Moorcroft, John Robson, Gary Oakes and Steve Scutt on the track, while Brian Hooper and Kelth Stock stand the best chance of picking up points in the field.

The women face a daunting task, especially now that Sonia Lannaman has turned down selection because of illness in the family, Beverley Goddard will run in both sprints, with Michelle Scutt filling the gap in the 200 metres.

Dave Clarke, the new United Kingdom 5,000 metres champion from Putney, is making his first appearance and teams up with Steve Blons (Bingley) who was runner-up to him in Antrim. Other men making their international bows are Kevin Capper (3,000 metres) teeplechase), Dave Murphy (10,000 metres) Colin Rattigau (long jump), Michael Makin (triple jump), Ian Lindley (shot), Ron James (hammer) and Steve Barry (20km walk).

Britain will face a stern test of character when they take on Bast Germany in Dresden without any of their Olympic champions at the weekend. Ten athletes win their first full international vests and face a tough baptism against the Germans who boast one of the most powerful teams in the world.

Daley Thompson, the Moscow decathalon champion, will be on duty for Britain in Canada or the same time but Sebastian Coe.

metres at Cwmbran and will be looking for further improvement against women who have regularly putt over 20 metres. Kirsty McDermout (800 metres) and Wendy Griffiths (400 metres) hurdles) will also be making their first full appearances.

MEN 1 100m: M McFarlane, C Sharp. 200m: M McFarlane, E Tuiloch. 400m: S Scutt, A Bell. 800m: R Harrison. S. 500m: D Moarroft. 3 Robson. 5. 500m: D Listke, S Sints. 3. 500m: S Clarke, S Sints. 3. 500m: B Clarke, S Sints. 4. 600m: M Harlies, M Hollom, B Price. 400m hurdles: M Hollom, B Price. 400m hurdles: M Hollom, B Price. 400m hurdles: M Hollom, B Warley, High lump: B Burgess, M Naylor. Polo vault: B Hooper, M Harlies, High lump: B Roberts, M Hollom, B Roberts, M Hollom, B Hooper, M Hollom, B Hooper, M Hollom, B Hooper, M Makin, Short; S Redsousse, J. Ladley, D Girvan, R James, Javelin: D Olliey, S Osborne. 20km walk: S Barry, A Seedan. J x 100m relay: S Green, Sharp, McFarlane, Tuiloch, D McAser, A x 300m relay: Scutt, A 801, Cook, R Dickens. B Coddard. M Scutt. 40m: J Hoyte-Smilth, M Scutt. 800m: C Boxen, K McDermott, 1,600m: C Hanson, G Dahny, 3,000m; S Strong, L Roothe, John hurdles: C Warden, W Griffiths, High Jump: C Warden

Swimming

Hubble's chance of revenge

Fesenko of the Soviet Union next month in Kiev. Hubble, home for the summer, from college in Houston, Texas, beat Fesenko at Crystal Palace in 1979 but the 26-year-old from Slough had to settle for the silver medal in Moscow last summer.

He has a chance to gain revenge when they meet during the three-day meeting between the Soviet

day meeting between the Soviet Union and Britain, beginning on July 3. David Lowe, the 21-year-old Harrow and Wealdstone butterfly specialist, is also back in the British team, with his pass-port wrangles firmly behind him. Lowe was left out of Britain's Lowe was left out of Britan's team at a recent triangular meeting in Leeds. Lowe was born in Rhodesia. His temporary British passport, issued in the United States, had expired, so he was not considered eligible. The usual harmonic measurable of the considered of the considered eligible. lengthy naturalization procedure threatened to end bis inter-national career for good but the Amateur Swimming Association

Phil Hubble of Britain renews managed to disentangle most of his 200 metres butterfly duel with the red tape and Lowe can now the Olympic champion, Sergey swim for Britain.

Fesenko of the Soviet Union next Suki Brownsdon, aged 15, from Suki Brownsdon, aged 15, from Tunbridge Wells, the youngest member of Britain's Olympic swimming squad last summer—but nonetheless-also travels, to test

MEN: K Lee (160m, 200 free): 4
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make one more serious attempt at Wimbledon this year and added: "Then I will play just for fun." Miss Wade, 36 next month, suffered a 6-4, 1-6, 6-1 defeat by the Australian reenager, Ann Minter, in the first round of the Surrey grass court championships Surrey grass court championships at Surbiton and admitted: "I was awful."

awful."
Miss Wade will compete at Wimbledon, which she won in 1977, for the 20th successive time when the championships begin on 1977.

June ZZ,
Ann Hobbs was the only British
winner, beating Sweden's Elizabeth Ekblom, 6-1, 6-3. Debble
Jevans went Count J-6, 3-6 to
the Australian, Debble Freeman.

Bookish man big punchline and lost narrowly in the final to Tony Roche, the Australian, in

Roscoe Tanner, Brian Gottfried and a host of other Americans, as well as Kevin Curren and Phil Dent, respectively the South African and Australian victors at Beckemann and Manchester last week, are also in the field. week, are also in the field.

It will not be surprising if the players this week arrive with financial news pages under their arms because the present rate of exchange is strongly against them on the prize money. The prizes are fixed in dollars but are paid in sterling, at a rate, in common with other grand prix events which finish before the end of this month, fixed last August—2.35 dollars to the pound. On this basis the total of \$147.700 is calculated at £62,851, considerably less than

the final in 1978.

at £62,851, considerably less than it would be at today's rate. If no rail falls at Queen's between 10 o'clock and 5 o'clock each day this week, the sponsors will pay the thub £25,000 to improve its indoor tennis courts. A scientific machine stands in the grounds to catch: a single drop; wonder of wonders there has not yet been any vet been any.

Miss Wade's last throw

Virginia Wade, Britain's top and Kate Brasher tost 1—6, 4—6 player, said vesterday that she will to Marie Pinterova (Czechoslomake one more serious attempt at wakia).

Briton for Ferrari. The Ferrari motor racing team, which has seldom employed non-milini methicians in the past, has hired a British mechanic-engineer, Harvey Postiethwaite, to deal with new bodies and chassis of Ferrari Formula One racing cars. Postlethwaite, from London, has worked with the British March and Essex teams.—AP.

Baseball

For the record

Equestrianism

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final overall blacings 7. M Rigoria
Bedgium) Tearing, 51.20 points; 2.
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Mories 5. Miss 2. R. 56-20; 6. R. Myske
GBB Three Cups, 65.20; 6. R Worker
(IGR) Kinglen, 70.00, 7. M Phillips
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(IR) Kinglen, 70, 207, 40 points; 2.
Netherlands, 213; 3. Bolgium, 219, 60. Football

Football

By Srikumar, Sen
Boxing Correspondent

He looks like a young executive
in a book publishers or a solicitor's office in his dark blue, suit
and plain red the. As he stands
clasping and unclasping his hands
nervously in front of him you
would never imagine that Alexis
Arguello will be the next man
after Wilfred Benites to go down
in the record books for winning
three world titles—if he beats
Scotland's world lightweight champion, Jim Watt, at Wembley on
Jine 20.

"Easy to say win three titles
but it is a b-i-g problem," the
softly spoken Nicaraguan sald at
the lunch in his and Watt's
honour in London yesterday.

No wonder Arguello had everyone eating out of his hand. Even
the champion was won over. "It
will be a pleasure to box someone
like Alexis Arguello," Watt sald.
"I'm looking for challengers and
this is the right one." Not for
Arguello the "I will keel him."
forecast of some other Central
Americans. "In our country"
Arguello said "there is a saying
Do not sell the meat before
catching the deer."

The bout will be the most valusble in British boring history with
Watr earning £378.000 and
Arguello £139,000. The Nicaraguan
will need every penny he can lay
his hands on for he supports Is
dependants including his wife,
mother and father, four children
and six brothers at his house in
Coral Gabbes, Florida. He will be
training at Freddie Hill's gym,
Lavender Hill every day and he
has brought his own sparring partner, Leoncio Ortiz, who has been has brought his own sparring part-ner, Leoncio Ortiz, who has been 15 rounds with Roberto Duran. 15 rounds with Roberto Duran.
Sam Burns, Tony Sibson's manager, is so angry that Alan Minter has spurned a title bout with his European and Commonwealth champion that he is willing to lay out his own money, £100,000 of-it, to bring Mustafa Hamsha, who beat Minter on Saturday, here to show what Sibson can do to the Syrian. "Sibson will knock Ramsho out, and Minter as well," Syrian. "Sibson will knock Hamsho out, and Minter as well," Mr Burns sald." Minter is a lucky man to have got where he did. He, does not have to decry Sibson. If

and there is nowhere else for him to go. Sibson is his last chance to carn a big purse."

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Clemence tells

Liverpool he wants to go Ray Clemence, England's goal-keeper, rocked Liverpool last night by demanding a move. Clemence, aged 32, has been a key part of the Anfield success story but feels he needs a change after 14 years with the clab. The manager Bob Patsley, however, insisted: "Clemence is under contract and there is no way I want him to go. I have listened to his reasons and I will put them to the board.

If Clemence is allowed to leave, Tottenham Hotspur will be high If Clemence is allowed to leave,
Tottenham Hotspur will be high
on the queue to sign him. The
manager, Keith Burkinshaw, has
been looking for a top-class
replacement ever since his selfconfessed mistake in selling Jennings to Arsenal. Speculation
about Clemence's future started
in March when Liverpool paid
Vancouver Whitecaps £250,000 for
Grobbelaur.

Grobbelaur.
Yesterday he confronted Mr Yesterday he confronted Mr Paisley after returning from England's tour of Switzerland and Hungary. Afthough Laverpool lifted the European and League Cups, Clemence did not enjoy the best of seasons and on Saturday his mistake gave Hungary their goal against England. It was Clemence's fifty-sixth international appearance—and in May, against Brazil, he became the first goalkeeper to captain England since Swift in 1948.

Rick Villa, Tottenham's FA Cup hero, and his little Argentine colleague, Osvaldo Ardiles, will grace English football for at least two more year.

Motor cycling Mist descends

Chris Guy, aged 22, from Kings-bridge. South Devon, persuaded the Isle of Man TT race officials to let him have "unlucky" num-ber 13 as his racing number. Yes-

the TT scene, was leading the six-lap, 226-mile senior event for 500cc machines when bad weather prompted officials to abandon the race. With most of the leading riders out of the running with mechanical problems at that stage, Gpy was well on course to collect close on £4,000 in prize money for what would have been the surprise win of TT week. than 20 yards on some parts of the 37 i mile course, officials decided that conditions were unsafe. Traditionally the number 13 is never used in Isle of Man TT races. But Guy was allocated the number because he considered it lucky for him. It is hoped the race will be re-run this afternoon.

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goals after two minutes of extra time. Edinburgh Civil Service, beating FC Lyon 3—2, managed to avoid the wooden spoon. Callaghan scored two goals from penalty strokes and Yellowless one from a short corner.

scored twice in the second half
MEN: (for seventh place: Edinburgh Civil Service 5. IC Lyon 2.
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By John Nicholls By John Nicholls
Thomas Wiggins and Philip
Steggall, one of the competing
crews in the double-handed Transatlantic race, were rescued from
their capsized trimaran, Bonifacio,
350 miles west of Lands' End
yesterday evening. Their distress
signal had been picked up by a
passing American alycraft which
initiated a combined air-sea
rescue.

rescue.

An RAF Nimrod from St
Mawgam located the overturned
boat 42 minutes later and dropped
a life-raft which was boarded by
one of the men. Meanwhile HMS
Cardiff was diverted to the scene.
as was the bulk carried. Angel
Happiness. As soon as she was
within range a Lynx helicopter
took off from the Cardiff and
winched up the survivors.
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winched up the survivors.

Wizgins, an American replaced Bonifacio's original skipper before the start in Plymouth and the yacht had been penalized 40 hours for the late change. She had made the best start and led away from the line on Saturday afternoon. The latest reports on the race show that the French trimaran. Jacques Ribourel, sailed by Oliver de Kersauson and Gerard Dijkstra has moved up from third place to take over the lead.

Rob Knox-Johnson and Billic King-Harman are still second in their catamaran Sea Falcon, with Chay Blyth and Robert James, the early pacemakers, now fourth in Brittany Ferries. Between the two British entries is Gautier (Jean-Yves Terlain and Christian Fevrier) a far smaller trimaran

nave over 2,500 miles to sail, so a fewd miles gained or lost at this stage are probably not significant. The further west the competiors sail, the more they will spread out laterally, and it is then, when they receive different winds and currents, that good tactics and luck come into their own The important thing always. own. The important thing always is to have wind in which to sall, and there is no shortage of that for anyone at the moment.

An unfortunate, unrelated sequence of mishaps marred the first attempt to arrange a race for the four largest classes at Weymouth Olympic Week yesterday. First the committee vessel was unable to anchor in the heaving bay and the start was postponed for an hour. Then the official boat anchored at the windward mark was ordered to move along b ya Ministry of Defence patrol boat, which claimed it was interfering with the passage of ships into Portland Harbour.

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of ships into Portland Harbour.

Partly because of this and partly because of a wind shift, the majority of the racing fleet rounded the gybe mark instead of the windward mark and set off in search of their own, non-existent gybe mark. Soon there were hoats scattered around the bay, sailing hither and thither until the embarrassing affair was abandoned. A more successful race was arranged in the evening.

Meanwhile the dinghy classes had a splendid day, in a breeze just strong enough to cause a few capsizes. Acthy Foster scored her third win in the 470 class, but Tim Law, trying for a third win in his Finn, had to retire with a broken rudder.

| Golf

Valentine's card has one six too many

Atlants. June 8.—Tom Watson beat fellow American Tommy Valentine in a sudden death playoff here yesterday to win the \$300,000 Atlanta golf tournament. It was the Masters' champion's third victory of the season.

All Watson needed was a par on the third hole of the play-off to beat Valentine, 31, a native of Atlanta. Valentine had forced sudden death with a birdle on the 72nd hole. Valentine's par 72 for the final round tied him with Watson. Bach completed the tournament in 277, 11 under par on the 6,945-yard Atlanta Country Club course. Watson had a 71 on Sunday.

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Valentine, seeking the first victory of his career and cheered on by the home crowd, scored par on the first extra hole. Watson chipped close to the hole to assure his par. Both had birdies at the next, the 17th, Watson holing from 12ft and Valentine from six.

On the par five 18th, both drove into the rough and had no chance of reaching the green in two. Valentine played his third into a bunker and Watson reached the green. Valentine had a bad lie in the bunker and came out some 20ft short. He missed the par purt and Watson needed only to get his down in two, which he did.

Watson picked up the first prize of \$54,000, raising his season's winnings to \$322,492, the fifth consecutive season he has gone over \$200.000 in nrize money on the

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Builders hit

by longer

queues for

mortgages

By Baron Phillips

of the year when almost 70 per cent regarded the situation as better compared to the previous

quarter.

At the same time the survey shows that housing starts, after

an initial spring recovery in the private sector, may have

flattened out.

"House builders report an easing of demand from first-time buyers, while potential demand has not changed since last February's survey, the federation

gins to be cut back this year and the number of companies

expecting an improvement has also fallen since the last quar-terly survey, with 45 per cent-now expecting no change on

recommended interest rates, would encounter increasingly

tough times shead.

Mr Cumming is concerned that it would not be in the interests of either savers or borrowers to break down the

Nigerians

pressed to

Putting the pressure on BNOC, page 19

■ Stock markets FT Ind 547.9 up 1.6 FT Gilts 65.37 up 0.43

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IN BRIEF

TV factory sale in the balance

Hopes rose last night that a new agreement could be reached between Racal and the Taiwan Company, Tatung, for the Decca television factory at Fridgnorth, Shropshire, where some 600 jobs are at stake. There may be an announcement later today.

Talks were restarted last week after Racal announced on Wednesday that the original deal for the sale of the factory for £1.3m had been called off

and it would be closed.
Mr T. S. Lin, president of the
Taiwan company, flew to Britain
on Thursday for talks with Mr Ernest Harrison, of Racal. A Racal spokesman said last night: "Discussions have been going on all weekend involving ourselves and Tatung. We have been involving employees and

We are at an advanced stage and hope to make an announcement tomorrow. There are still some things to be ironed out."

Pretax profits up .

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Associated British Foods, the Fine Fare, Twinings, Ryvita and Allied Mills group, increased pretax profits from £98.7m to £114.9m in the year to March 28. The main contributor to the increase was the 52 per cent owned South African subsidiary, Premier Group, which produced profits of £38.1m, up £13.4m. Financial Editor, page 19

Winding-up adjourned The hearing of the Department of Trade's winding-up petition against licensed dealer Connaught Latham in the High Court was adjourned yesterday for four weeks. That against Connaught International Films was adjourned for two weeks. CL's cross-petition for the re-moval of the Official Receiver will be heard in the High Court

Eagle Star rises

Shares in Eagle Star Insur-ance rose 3p to 283p yesterday shead of the closing at 3 pm today of the 290p a share tender offer by the German insurance group Allianz Versi-

Film corporation sold

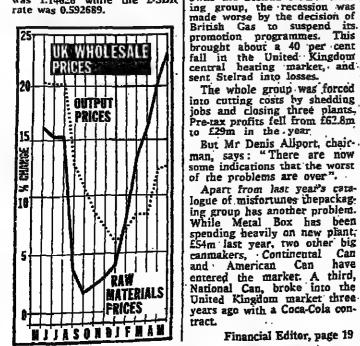
Twentieth Century-Fox Film Corporation's proposed acquisition by Marvin Davis was overtion by Marvin Davis was over-whelmingly approved by shareholders in Los Angeles yesterday. The deal is valued at about \$800m (£410m). For shareholders will receive \$60 for each common share and \$80 for each preferred share.

Credit card launch

A credit card for lorry drivers is being launched by the State-owned British Road Services and Diners Club.

Wall Street up

The Dow Jones industrial average closed at 995.46, up 1.67. The S-SDR exchange rate was 1.14626 while the £-SDR rate was 0.592689.



Spring spending spree now tapering off

Figures out yesterday showed has been one of the few buoyant that April in the High Streets areas during the current reces-was considerably less buoyant sion. In spite of a sharp drop in than originally thought. Depart- total output and a big rise in ment of Trade estimates for the volume of retail sales have been revised down by 1 per cent been revised down by 1 per cent Most people who have held on to stand at an index level of to their jobs have seen big in-111.4 (1975 = 100), almost identicreases in living standards until cal with March.

But although new figures suggested that the buying stree which marked the January sales this year is tapering off, there was an increase in credit sales in April. Total new credit extended was £650m, up from an average level of around £620m in earlier months of the year.

Finance houses boosted their ending, while retailers cut back on their loans only a little. Over the three months from February to April, the total level of advances was some 8 per cent. higher than in the previous

quarter.
Spending in the High Streets

unemployment, retail sales have held up well.

April seems to have been a shead of prices, and stores intro-bad month for food and house hold goods shops, but there were attempt to run down their strong gains by the mixed retail Over the next 12 months. retail spending is expected to be far more depressed, Living

standards are starting to slip and stores will have to restore

their profit margins.

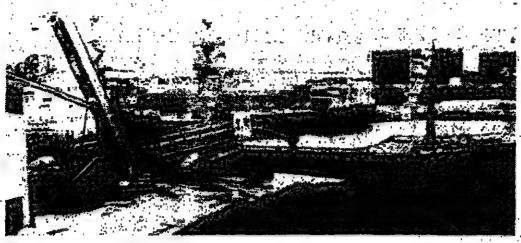
[] There are indications of an improvement in trade during May particularly in the department stores and even in the long-depressed menswear sector. A recovery appears to be beginning in the North-west of England from particularly depressed trading levels according to the United Association for the Protection of Trade, The association, the largest

United Kingdom, reports con-sumer credit applications in May virutally back to the level returns were 9 per cent down on the same month last year. Mr Brian Bailey, the agency's deputy director general, said : "The May figures would indicate that consumer spending seems to be surprisingly buoyant at the moment, although the figures have been fluctuating to such an extent on a

month-to-month hasis that it is difficult to establish a meaning-At the John Lewis Partner-ship, store sales have been ris-ing by value during May. In the week ended May 2, sales were up 9.9 per cent on the same week of last year. The next week the increase was II.I per cent and the week after

13.9 per cent ahead of estimate. Furnishing, textiles and accessories sales have been improving, but good sales in menswear have not carried through

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A coaster loads coal for Belfast at the new Garston Terminal.

£1.25m coal terminal for Merseyside

By Michael Bally, Transport Correspondent

than doubled and 250 dockers' jobs safeguarded by a new £1.25m coal terminal developed at Garston on the Mersey by the National Coal Board and

British Transport Docks.

The coal is for Ireland where it will both increase the NCB's share of the market and bring down energy costs, Mr Malcom Edwards, marketing director, said after the official opening

It is also good news for Merseyside where the reputa-

Metal Box

worst year

By Peter Wainwright

Metal Box, Europe's largest

packaging group, and one of

the world's biggest canners, has just had the worst year in its

history. The United Kingdom

workforce has dropped by

4,589 or nearly 14 per cent, and a further 1,500 jobs are to

go soon. The departures are a mixture of redundancies and

The group was caught unawares by a slump in demand after the end of the steel strike. Demand collapsed very

suddenly and destocking was severe. A strong pound made

exporting tough, and led to bigger imports. The bad sum-

mer meant a fall in demand for soft drink cans.

owns the Stelrad central heat-

The whole group was forced

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National Can, broke into the

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For Metal Box, which also

natural wastage.

suffers

Coal shipments will be more tion of the workforce has taken matic conveyors. Throughput is han doubled and 250 dockers' some hard knocks, according to expected to be about 1,250,000 mr Malcolm Thornton, the local tons a year, increasing NCB's conservative MP, who per conservative MP, who per training matter in Iraland. domestic market in Ireland.
Elsewhere on Merseyside,
dockers, whose strike effectively halted cargo handling in formed the opening.
But the flexible and hardworking workforce at Garston belied that reputation and had helped to select the port for Liverpool over the weekend, re-turned to work while their leaders discussed a new pay this development, the first of its kind in Britain.

Coal will arrive from the Midlands, Lancashire and Yorkshire
in 45-tonne hopper-wagons at a
siding 30ft above dock level. It a ban on weekend overtime by
will be distributed directly to the 3,500 men angry over proships or be stockpiled by auto-

Maxwell's BPC pays £2m for Oyez Press

BPC, the printing group recently rescued by Mr Robert Maxwell, is paying £2m for Oyes Press, printers of the House of Lords' Hansard as well as financial documents for the City. cial documents for the City.

BPC's subsidiary, Waterlow & Sons, is buying the company from the Solicitors' Law Stationery Society and on completion the company will be known as Waterlow & Oyez Press, Lord Kearton, chairman of BPC, will take over as non-executive take over as non-executive chairman and Mr Bernard Taylor as managing director, . .

The Society lost £630,000 be-fore tax in 1980, though Oyez Press traded profitably. Its Bootle factory, however, had been making losses and was closed during the year.

Mr Maxwell, chief executive of BPC, said last night that the company was currently trading profitably and he would be immediately installing computer typesetting machinery at a cost of between £400,000 and £500,000 to_replece the current Ictrerpress system.

Pepsi Eurobond offer

in the Eurobond market yesterday with the launch of a bond offering a zero interest rate to

Previously such issues have been limited to the United States domestic bond market with JC Penney the most recent

Pepsico Capital Corporation a subsidiary of the United States Pepsico group, is seeking \$75m through a three-year bond priced at 67.25. This represents a discount of nearly a third on the 100 par value of the bond when it is due for repayment in 1984, so providing a yield of

A novel issue made its debut 14.14 per cent of the life of the The main attraction of these

deep discount bonds lies in the deep discount bonds has in the tax savings they provide both the borrower and investors.

The capital gains attractions should outweigh the higher, yields of around 154 per cent on other three-year bonds, although some dealers noted that though some dealers noted that recent three-year bond from IBM was priced above par when it came on to the market where the yield was 14.58 per cent.
The issue has been managed by Credit Suisse First Boston, who have built a reputation for innovations in the Eurobond

From Karan Thapar

cut oil price

Western oil companies are putting pressure on Nigeria to reduce the price of its oil from \$40 a barrel. There is specula tion here that as many as 25 customers are considering vbether they should renew present contracts when they expire in July or August.

Nigerian officials appear confident that there is no problem, but today's National Concord companies have threatened the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation with termination of contracts if the prices are

not cut.
The oil glut on the inter-national market and Nigeria's high prices bave already severely affected production of crude oil. Production has been falling steadily this year, but the sharpest decline was last month when it tumbled nearly 300,000 barrels from an April average of 1.6 million barrels

day. Pressure on BNOC, page 19

Ward bid for Tunnel fails By Our Financial Staff

T. W. Ward has failed in its £110m bid to take over rival cement-maker Tunnel Holdings. Ward conceded defeat yesterday after its final offer term

drew acceptances in respect of only 2.7 per cent of Tunnel's only 2.7 per cent of Tunnel's votes. Ward already owned shares in Tunnel giving it nearly 42 per cent of the total votes. In the stock market yesterday

speculation immediately turned to the possibility of a follow-up bid for Tunnel from Rio Tinto-Zinc, the mining finance house shares heavily during the past

Tunnel's shares closed at 440p still 5p above the cash value of the Ward offer.

Lloyd's bans gambling on 'tonner' policies

Catastrophe cover outlawed

By Richard Allen

Lloyd's of London has outlawed the notorious tonner" insurance policies which enabled underwriters in the market to gamble on lives

lost in catastrophes. The han, which takes effect immediately, is outlined in a letter from Mr Peter Green, chairman of Lloyd's, which went out to brokers and underwriters yesterday. It follows up a recommendation made in last year's report from Sir Hann. Fisher on the workers and from Sir Henry Fisher on the market's self-

regulatory processes.
"Tonner" policies were originally designed as a form of reinsurance for underwriting syndicates involved in complex marine insurance business. An underwriter unsure of his overall exposure could hedge his liabilities by taking out a policy with another syndicate, which would be activated if total tonnage lost

at sea reached a certain level. Such policies achieved notoriety in the early 1970s when they were extended by entre-preneurial underwriters to cover other classes of business, in particular aviation. There the air disasters. Because buyers of such policies did not

necessarily have to be involved in direct reinsurance in the class of business concerned, they soon came to be seen as a gruesome betting medium for professionals in the market. There was a particular outery when it was rumoured that some underwriters had been paid out on such policies after the Turkish Airlines DC-10 disaster which claimed

346 lives in 1974.

Apart from the moral issue, it was clear that, where the policyholder had no insurable justification in some cases.

Job cuts will cost extra £40m

ICL reports £50.6m loss

ICL, Britain's main computer company, which was rescued by the Government in March, yesterday reported a £50.6m net loss for the six mombs to March 31.

House buyers are having to wait longer for house loan ap-provals from building societies, The half-year results follow last week's announcement that ICL is to reduce its worldwide workforce by 5,200. The cost of this and other rationalization according to the latest quarterly survey by the House-Builders Federation, published today. The survey shows that a quarter of companies taking measures is put at about £40m, the company revealed yesterday.

This means that the group's net loss for the whole year is likely to be at least £90m, even part report more people waiting for mortgages, compared with a tiny four per cent in the Febru-ary survey. ary survey.

The federation says that the assuming there are no further trading losses during the second strong improvement in the availability of mortgages earlier in the year has not been maintained, with only one builder in five reporting a healthier position than at the beginning

Mr Christopher Laldlaw, the pew chairman, who replaced Mr Philip Chappell following the Government rescue package, dissociated himself from the

previous chairman's forecast that ICL should trade at breakeven during the second half. Mr Laidlaw said this forecast contained some optimistic assumptions about the recession

The first half pretax trading loss was £33.9m, compared with a £20.5m profit in the same period of the previous year, but Mr Laidlaw pointed out that second quarter losses of less than £10m were much lower

than in the first quarter.

The half time figures included £14.6m of extraordinary items relating to closures and redundancies announced last November. As expected there is no interim dividend.

ICL's turnover during the half-year fell from £346m to £318m and the commany said.

the drop in revenue had been mainly caused by the effect of the recession on demand in Europe and the United Kingdom.
Total new orders during the

period were down 4 per cent in value but the drop in Europe and the United Kingdom was 11 per cent and there is no clear sign of any material im-provement. Orders outside Europe rose by 10 per cent. Mr Laidlaw said the main task of the board was to restore

profitability and the reductions in the workforce were necessary to achieve this, He said that had the recent talks on a partnership agreement between ICL and another company material-ized it would have meant about 10,000 redundancies compared with the 5,200 now proposed,

State industry plea for new investment

State industry chairmen yesterday maintained their attack on the Government's financial controls which they say are pre-venting many destrable investment projects going ahead.

Members of the Nationalized Industries Chairmen's Group yesterday appeared before the Treasury and Civil Service Com-mittee, which is investigating the financing of state indus-ries.

now expecting no change on last year's margins.

Lack of confidence among potential purchasers continues to be cited by builders as the main influence on demand.

Mr Alan Cumming, new chairman of the Building Societies.

Association, and head of the Woolwich Equitable Building Society, defended the role of the building society cartel as being in the public interest. He said the smaller societies, which have moved away from BSA-recommended interest rates, The chairmen strongly criticized the Government's failure to distinguish properly between their requirements for cash to support capital expenditure and other public sector expenditures which served to add to current consumption.

Sir Peter Parker, chairman of British Rail, who is awaiting a government decision on his plans for a big rail electrification programme, emphasized to the committee that changes in work rechniques, involving fur-ther cuts in manpower, would depend on significant new investments.

"We are attempting to be sensible businessmen. We should be encouraged in our operations to be looking at our businesses like the private sector businessman". Sir Peter said.

At several points during their appearance before the committee, members of the NICG clashed with MPs over the ability of nationalized industries to raise money from private sector sources on the basis of



Sir Robert : PSBR not

self-financing of their opera-tions by 1983-84.

Sir Robert Marshall, of the National Water Council, who is chairman of the NICG, agreed that investment levels in state industry should not be deter-mined by the Public Sector Bor rowing Requirement as the supreme and sole arbiter.

Strong support for the cam-paign being waged for greater flexibility in financing of public sector investments was given by the British National Oil Corporation. Mr Philip Shelbourne, chairman of BNOC, said that the present rules could be particularly damaging for the previous performance.

In their evidence the MCG its investment programme curtained by operation of the rigid link between the PSBR and public sector external financing target of achieving almost total corporation. It might yet have

Engineers rebel over reorganization survey

Institutions (CEI), focal point of criticism in the long controversy over reorganization of the engineering profession, has been forced to scrap part of a survey to which some of its institutions have

The survey would have shown for the first time attitudes of all individual professional engineers to sensitive key issues on reorganization.

Some of the institutions which make up CEI have refused to send out a question-naire which was mostly non-controversial in that it was concerned with collection of data for the CEPs biennial salaries survey, due out at the end of this year. Others have delayed distribution pending

The Council of Engineering decisions by their governing councils. But at least two of the 16 institutions are in the process of sending out some 200,000 questionaires to their mem-

> The situation has brought embarrassment to the CEI because of the delicate state of because of the delicate state of negotiations over a formula which should allow an announcement soon by the Government of the final form in ernment of the trial form in which a new engineering council can organize the profession. The council would take over much of the CEI's work. The rebellion by some institutions was disclosed by New Civil Engineer, the weekly magazine of the Institution of Civil Engineers. The institution of Civil Engineers. The institution was among those delaying diswas among those delaying dis-tribution, according to the

Sterling recovers to \$1.94

By John Whitmore Financial Correspondent

The pound had a much better day on foreign exchange markets yesterday, recovering 1.2 cents against the dollar to close at 51.9410. Sterling's index against a basket of leading cur-

against a basket of leading currencies rose 0.9 to 94.7.

After touching a low of \$1.9130, the pound quickly rallied without any obvious aid from the Bank of England. Its high for the day was \$1.9550, but it came off the top during the offermoun as the dollar rethe afternoon as the dollar re-covered from earlier profittaking. With most European markers

closed for the Whitsun holiday most dealers felt that yesterday was no real guido as to how the pound is likely to behave over the rest of the week. All that was clear was that the bulky selling orders of last week selling orders of last week appeared to have dried up.

A big talking point was the extent to which sterling was, or was not, being buoyed up by speculation on an increase in the Bahk of England's minimum lending rate on Thursday. Many bankers and market operators take the view that any immediate move to raise MLR is extremely unlikely.

The clearing banks see no great pressure on their interest rate structure at this stage, and would in any case be extremely

would in any case be extremely reluctant to raise their base rates without an official lead.
Such a lead looks highly improbable, unless today's preliminary indications on the M: money supply are horrific, which

seems equally improbable.
Although period rates in the money markets remained firm yesterday, short term rates continued soft. Day-to-day money was trading at around 10 per cent and one-week money below

11 per cent. 11 per cent.

The situation at this end of the market is being beined considerably at the moment by the civil servants' industrial action, which is slowing down the flow of tax payments from companies to the Exchequer, leaving a lot more liquidity in the market and reducing companies' need to

borrow.
Yesterday's recovery in sterling and signs of slightly easier dollar interest rates gave the longer end of the gilt edged market a boost. Most issues scored gains of half a point or more, though "shorts" remained an uncertain market and generally finished with further small losses. The FT Government Securities index rose 0.43 to 65.37.

Apart from sterling and the dollar, most attention during the afternoon focussed on gold after news of the Israeli air artack on an traci nuclear installation. The bullion price down below the rebounded smartly to close a net \$11 up on the day at \$472.50.

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*on a historic cost basis

Warren Plantation Holdings Limited

1980 HIGHLIGHTS

- Profit before taxation exceeded the forecast at the time of the rights issue.
- Dividend maintained on increased capital and covered 1.35 times on C.C.A. basis. U.K., India, Kenya and Indonesia each contributed in excess
- of £1 million pre-tax profit. Major part of rights issue to be invested in Australia and
- Company's market capitalisation brings it into top 500 U.K. companies.

Summary of group results* (£'000s) to 31 December 29,250 30,861 Turnover Profit before taxation 5,256 6,787 Profit after taxation 3,071 Earnings per share 32.79p Dividend per share. 10.00p 10.00p

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trigger for such policies was often not overall tonnage lost but the number of lives lost in

interest, the policy would be regarded in law as a gaming or wagering contract—which was therefore unenforceable in the courts. Lloyd's ruling committee has been known to be embarrassed by the existence of such policies for several years, but has previously been reluctant to act because of their commercial

Japanese

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Mr Zenko Suzuki, the Jap-anese Prime Minister, said it would be suicidal for industrial

mocracies to adopt pro-

tectionism. Mr Suzuki, on the eve of his

departure for a six-nation West European tour, told a Press conference in Tokyo that industrial democracies should

maintain a free trade system to overcome inflation, unemploy-

is designed to augment Japan-Western Europe ties, which were still insufficient compared with the links between Japan and the United States or between Europe and the United

Spanish deficit rises

Spain's current account balance of payments deficit rose in the first two months of this year to \$1,360m (£705m) from \$993m in the same period last

year. According to Bank of Spain figures the trade deficit widened to \$2,130m.

Italy production fall

Italy's seasonally adjusted index of industrial production fell 0.5 per cent in April from the previous month and 5.1 per cent from a year earlier, the government statistics institute

reported the index registered 143 in April, compared with 143.7 in March and 150.6 in April 1980, (1970–100).

The International Monetary Fund has approved a loan of 814.5m special drawing rights (£480m) to Thailand to increase

its international reserves, the Bank of Thailand announced in

Bangkok. The loan is for seven years at an interest rate of about 10.5 per cent.

Japan's economy grew by about 1 per cent in real terms

between January and March, exceeding 5 per cent in the 1980

financial year, according to Tokyo Press reports. This growth rate was faster than the 4.8 per cent the government had predicted.

Tokyo growth up

IMF lends £480m

ent and deterioration of balance of payments.
But, he said, be would not take up individual trade problems in talks on his tour, which

City punters optimistic despite interest rate doubts

Hongkong index hits eight-year high Development of enterprise zones - From Judy Walker, Hongkong, June 8

The racing season having ended, Hongkong's inveterate punters are switch-ing to the other form of legalised gambling, the stock market.

been run, the Hang Semg index soared 50 points, crossing 1,700 for the first time in eight years.

The index has since been within 40 points of its record 1,775. And despite two days of profit-taking the index closed last weekend at 1,715.81, a gain of nearly 90 points on the week.

The groundwork for the latest surge was carried out in March and April. Reeling under the shock of a big rights issue from the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, the market three times tested the floor at 1,300. Experts are in no doubt that if this level had been breached, the bottom would have fallen out of the market.

The market was already reacting badly to rising interest rates in the United States. A moratorium on new share issues, intended to promote an orderly market while trading was heavy, was taken as a sign that the stock market authorities did not believe the market could stand too many issues.

The issue by Sino Land, the last to be announced before the moratorium, was only 46.5 per cent subscribed. A rights issue by Paliburg; Investments (rights with only 20 per cent taken up.

The announcement that the Hongkong

Court told

of Burmah.

An adviser to Burmah Oil told the High Court today of his dismay at the offer put forward by the Bank of England to buy

a 20.1 per cent holding in British Petroleum.

Mr Robin Broadley, of Bar-ings the bankers, who was brought into help Burmah in

December 1974 as a financial crisis reached its peak, said he expressed "strong dismay" to

expressed "strong dismay" to the Deputy Governor of the Bank of England when told of the Bank's proposals to save the company from liquidation. "The price was below the market value and profit sharing had disappeared," Mr. Broadley

He was giving evidence on behalf of Burmah Oil in its

High Court attempt to get back the current value of the BP

shareholding from the bank of England. Burmah claims the

Bank took unfair advantage of

the company's distressed state and says the deal conferred undeserved benefit on the Bank. The shares are now worth £1,000m.

Despite his disappointment at the first Mr. Procedure said he

'dismay'

Government would impose disclosure laws on public companies was coupled with fears that Mr John Bremridge, the incoming financial secretary, would be more likely to interfere in the economy With blue chips and second liners faring

than his predecessor. so, too, was the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank's bid for the Royal Bank of Scotland. Local investors felt that the bid was on unfavourable terms and when it hit a stumbling block, the benef that it would, the benefit that it would be the state of the Hongkong. fail was a plus factor for the Hongkong

Turnover fell heavily, dropping below HK\$200m on several days. Yet there was always the feeling that,

underneath, investors were just looking for air excuse to move back in, and excuses built up throughout May. For a start, the share issue moratorium was lifted. This was taken as an act of faith in the strength of the market. Then rent restrictions on residential property were

eased, giving a boost to the subdued When United States money supply growth dropped sharply, encouraging a belief that interest rates would also begin to fall, the Hang Seng index decided to test the ceiling instead of the floor.

Bolstered by foreign buying that had been switched to Singapore while Hong-king was depressed turnover increased in line, with prices. The index rose for seven consecutive days in mid-May, the longest

consecutive days in mid-May, the longest plus run for 20 months. The aggressive approach of overseas institutional buyers brought in the small local investors, particularly into property based shares, against a background of favourable company news.

equally well, the Hang Sang index put on more than 200 points in May, a rise of 14 per cent. That included a 40-point rise on May 29, the last trading day of the month, when the feeble excuse of a half-point drop in interest rates by one American bank was enough to spark hectic trading. Racing ended the next day, and on June 1 the 50 point rise was on the year's highest turnover of HK\$838m.

The next few days could be critical, with any further upward movement likely to break the index's record.

Recent news on local property sales has been more encouraging which, if it were to be reinforced by expectations of lower local interest rates, would provide a powerful additional weapon for the bulls. Should United States rates remain high, Snorm. United States rates remain high, however, the market may run out of steam and headway would be difficult to achieve against current and likely demands from capital raising exercises.

Many stockbrokers here are far more bullish. A new record of 2,000 points on the index is being bandied around. The "blue skies" brigade will even go as far as 2,300. That seems a trifle optimistic to say the least, but there is no denying the belief here that the market is basically strong and there are no signs of a collapse like the one in 1973.

Technology News

Why time is running out for Britain's new industries



sectors that is a vital factor in the success of an industry. Sir Henry said: "The policies of government are crucial and country.
"In most advance countries

the offer, Mr Broadley said he told Burmah to accept. "Nego-tiations had failed to provide any other means of avoiding insolvency and liquidation." government is a big purchaser and user of goods and services. Government can make and The hearing continues.



break companies in its own The exploitation if inforthere are many specific ways in mation technology, which which government influences includes the spectrum of trading companies in its own electronic products from microcomputers to sophisticated tele-communication satellite systems is vital to the health of the British industry, Sir Henry

He also called for a better medium term method of financing companies and for an improved training system.

But he remained convinced that the scale of investment required to pursue the develop-ment of technology could be outside the resources of many companies. He suggested more collaborative projects between

Sir Henry cited the resources poured into research and development in North America and Japan. By coincidence, Ma Yoshifumi Miyamoto, the executive managing director of Sanyo Electric, was in London to outline his company's plans for high techology research.

A special project team was established in 1979 to investigate the development of the same control of the

gate the development of very large scale integrated circuits (VSLI). The company has spent \$52m and introduced this type of integrated circuit into voice recognition and synthesizing systems.

systems.

The application of this technology of VSLI has been very useful in concentrating a great deal of electronic capability in a small volume. This is particularly successful in products such as video recorders and cameras where portability is important.

Shortage of funds hits research group

Engineering Industries re-search and information group blames delays in starting new projects on time needed to secure funds.

In its annual report, the nonprofit making group lists only one new project proposal which has been approved to start in 1981, in a list of 14 it hopes to

undertake.
The approved project is a The approved project is a revision of the report, The Principles of Safe During Practice, made necessary by expected changes in Health and Safety Executive and Department of Trade regulations on diving operations and submersibles.

Six projects including a

mersibles.
Six projects, including a study of designing for temperature effects in concrete underwater oil storage structures, and the preparation of a handbook of underwater tools,

handbook of underwater tools, were completed last year.

The group, which has 126 members, including BNOC and ICI Petroleum Services, and companies from Europe, the United States and Africa, spent £173,400 last year, with funds coming mostly from subscriptions, fees specific contritions, fees, specific contri-butions and publication sales

It plans to increase efforts to raise both funds and member ship numbers.

Ugandan currency devalued

From Charles Harrison

The Ugandan shilling was valued today at about one tenth of its former official exchange rate. The Bank of Uganda, in consultation with leading commercial banks, announced a new rate of 150 shillings to the pound sterling, and corresponding rates for other international currencies.

President Milton Obote, in his capacity as finance minister,

capacity as finance minister, announced last week that the Ugandan shilling would in future be allowed to find its own level, based on supply and

beer and cigarettes. But most other items which were pre-viously subjected to a nominal price control are now free from control, and must find their own market level.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From Mr Bernard Tennant
Sir, I refer to your article on
enterprise zones ("Enterprise
zoned — a boon or blight?",
June 2). The sniggestion that
those firms optiside the zone
boundaries should consider
serving compulsory purchase
content on planning authorities serving companing authorities to buy them our would only compound the problem with eventual creation of enterprise zone islands in a sea of blighted property. That would be the worst form of atavism to the blight created by the town-centre development booms in the fifties and early sixties. We know how many smaller, family businesses were lost in those exercises.
At the inception of the

Chancellor's brainchild of enter prise zones we warned that great care would be needed to ensure that enterprise zones did not create artificial situations in the enterprise to the the experimental areas to the the experimental areas to the extent of (1) creating a structural planning and competitive imbalance between neighbouring areas in the same or adjacent regions; (2) duplicating existing plans for inner city partnerships and development, or diverting funds away from such projects; and (3) creating a false economy within the zones such projects; and (3) creating a false economy within the zones which might lead to financial and other problems at the end of the period of subsidization. The tronic part of the whole scheeme is that the businesses on the outside of the zone

boundaries not only lose out to completely unfair competition, but have to foot the bill for the £20m capital allowances and £50m rates lost by the end of the 10-year period.

the 10-year period.

Perhaps the Chancellor's idea would have been better shelved until we see the promised autumn Green raper on rate reform. Perhaps then all businesses will be inspired by rate-free inducements.

Yours faithfully, BERNARD TENNANT, Secretary, The National Chamber of Trade, nterprise House, Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire.

Oil refinery objections

Sir, Last week Burmah Total announced the closure of its oil with the loss of 1,100 jobs. In the same week the Secretary of State over-ruled the last objections voiced at public inquiries to the proposed construction on the meadows at Cliffe, in Kent, of an oil refinery by Burmah Total.

The objectors to the scheme

The objectors to the scheme included the two local councils of Gravesham and Medway, local conservation groups and the majority of the local population. Opposition to the scheme can be measured by the fact that the Dickens Country Preservation Society spent 10 years fighting the plan and £100,000 collected locally.

One of the overwhelming J. R. PARKER, Vice-chairman, Gravesham Society Kent. DA12 1JZ. One of the overwhelming arguments against the destruc-

tion of Cliffe is that oil refineries countrywide, are operating well below capacity. It is therefore unnecessary to the country's economy to build a new one. And one of the principal ressons for closing principal reasons for closing Ellesmere Port? It is working at a mere 70 per cent capacity. Why on earth has Burman Total gone to such unprofitable lengths and inordinate pains to blight the lives and landscape

for so many of the population of North Kem? And for something which now mannever be built. 65, South Hill Road,

Investment in housing

From Mr Colin George Sir, We are receiving more and more clients searching for accommodation, some of whom accommodation, some or whom have come from the Midlands and the North seeking work. Southend Council, like so many local housing authorities, impose a residential qualification of two years before even considering registering applicants.

In the short term we can only see matters getting worse, but even in the longer term unless action is taken now to increase investment in housing, there will surely be little improve-

Would it not be possible to phase out interest relief on

General Secretary, Guild of Help & Citizens Advice Bureau.

the days of Mr Harold Macmil-For example, why not give 120 per cent tax relief based on a national interest by way of option mortgages to the firsttime buyer in the first year, reducing the amount by 20 per cent per annum patil no relief is available after seven years. This would not only help the young at the expense of the older owner-occupier but, more significantly, the money saved could fund the houses of the future generation. Yours sincerely, COLIN GEORGE,

mortgages and to use the money 18 Nelson Street, thereby saved to launch a Southend-on-Sea SSI 1EF. housing drive reminiscent of June 2.

Aid projects and the CDC

From Mr A. J. Peckham

Sir, Were you not a little unfair element sadly lacking in many to the Commonwealth Development Corporation in your leader "Help them to help themselves" (May 29)? It has a projects which it has pioneered far better record than "straight lead to the creation of further leads to the creation of the creation o aid projects", which are indeed more susceptible to "occasional and spectacular failure". CDC and spectacular failure". CDC to the contrary has met its the market? Yours faithful way taking one year with Yours faithfully, another. How many statutory bodies can claim that?

Yardley Dene,

The reason is not far to seek. Tonbridge. CDC is unique in providing Kent. competent management for its May 29.

indigenous enterprise, and thus

Revenue · From Mr D. C. Potter

Improving

the Inland

Sir, The letter from the general secretary of the Inland Revenue Staff Federation that you published today, June 1, cites their submission to Lord Keith's committee in relation to Revenue powers. One phrase is particularly striking:

"What is needed is a very radical reform indeed which perhaps requires complete re-thinking of the way in which the Inland Revenue in Britain operates."

Many taxpayers would heartily agree, particularly as the submission goes on to refer with approval to the practice in the United States of America.

The Internal Revenue Service of the United States are reputed to cover a population threatimes the size of Britain's, with a staff little greater than Britain's. That shows where

radical reform can start. Your faithfully, D. C. POTTER, 4 Pump court, Temple, London, EC4Y 7AN.

Charges for cashing cheques

Sir. I am pleased to reassure the that Barclays Bank has made reciprocal arrangements with the Bank of Scotland so that customers of both banks will not pay counter charges for cashing cheques in either bank's branches.

I would like to emphasize that the objective of this move was to improve the service for our own customers and Mr Peters need only present his Bank of Scotland cheque book and

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Yours faithfully, B. G. PEARSE, General Manager, Barclays Bank Limited, 54 Lombard Street, London, EC3P 3AH. May 28.

Changes in the pilotage laws

From Captain Michael Barwick Sir, Your correspondents of May 21 and 26 are either part of or victim to, the well orchestrated campaign that predictably rises to a crescendo as the pilotage provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act 1979 come nearer to being imple-mented. Their views apparently crystallized after a meeting where "speaker after speaker" was opposed to the proposed bye-laws. As the meeting was called by the Pilotage Com-mission specifically to hear objections one would naturally expect the speakers to be

opposed.
It would be more sensible if
the correspondence was addressed to the Commission
whose duty, inter alia, is to
advise the Minister but if it is to
be, for whatever reason, conbe, for whatever reason, conducted through your columns then readers ought to be provided with a little background. The existing bye-laws, framed in 1913, curiously and quite illogically grant exemption from pilotage to the ship, the inanimate object itself, without regard to the person in charge. The proposed bye-laws seek to take into consideration the knowledge and experience in the district of the ship's master by a simple form of certification of the individual. What "evidence" your correspondents think should be adduced to confirm the superiority of a system not yet introduced is hard to imagine but, I am certain, readers will have a definite indexidual.

factions still pursuing a narrow lation interest and what they really the seek is a special exemption and

clause wide enough to include them but narrow enough to exclude their competitors. The Commission has heard objectors, as it had a duty to do, and will now calmly, I am sure, formulate the advice to be given to the Minister who, in the last analysis, will decide whether the bye-laws be confirmed. In the meantime, the posturing will continue but few people familiar with the subject are likely to be misled by it. All correspondents should properly declare their interests. declare their interest; mine is that of a licensed pilot.
Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL BARWICK,

Green Court, Bredhurst, Kent. May 28.

From Mr J. D. Evans
Sir, Mr Peter Howells, in his
letter (May 26) giving the
General Council of British letter (May 26) giving the General Council of British Shipping's views on the proposed new pilotage arrangements for the London Pilotage District, states that " it is a service which they do not need or want." His statement, read either in reference to pilotage generally or in regard to the discussions now taking place in the London District, is simply not true. Shipowners at the London inquiry have been quoted as saying that "Department of Trade certificates given to masters also require high competency and masters are responsible enough to take on pilots if they need them." Mr Howells also said that "a good pilotage service will attract custom." This statement is arossly misleading since it obscures the important fact that pilotage services are in effect part of a vital public service, a point that is best made by quoting from the Report of a Departmental Committee that examined pilotage in 1912. This said, in part:

"A consideration that is sometimes lost sight of is that an efficient pilotage system is a system which can only be maintained at considerable expense and is maintained for the benefit of shipping. At free ports (where pilotage is not compulsory) where the access under normal conditions are favourable, employ the services of a pilot, but when the conditions

able, employ the services of a pilot, but when the conditions pilot, but when the conditions are unfavourable then all ships will not only expect the services of a pilot to be available but they will further expect that these services will be efficient."

Now existing pilotage legislation, designed to give effect to the requirements of the State and the needs of shipping

generally, requires all pilotage authorities to maintain an expensive pilot boat service to provide pilotage services on mand to any vessel. But in pilotage districts where pilotage is not compulsory there is no corresponding obligation placed upon shipping to contribute to the provision of the pilot boat

This favourable treatment given to shipping interests is much abused. I have personal experience of an occasion when the master of a flag of convenience vessel who was responding to pressures brought to bear upon him by his charterers not to take pilots, stated that he did not require a pilot when sailing at about high water time. Rowever, three water time. However, three hours later, having been delayed, he demanded the services of a pilot since, on a spring tide with the water falling away at the rate of 12 inches every eight minutes, he was uncertain whether he could proceed with effective processes.

proceed with safety.... The legislation that requires pilots to be always available to provide pilotage services on demand is quite remarkable in that it merely repeats legislation to be found in the Merchant Shipping Act in the Merchant Shipping Act 1854 which was itself a consolidated Act passed in one sitting by a barely reformed House of Commons. The legislation empowers a Chief Officer of Customs and Excise, masters, owners, agents and consignees to order pilots to proceed to vessels. It also makes pilots who refuse, without good cause, to proceed to such vessels subject to the criminal law, liability for damage and disciplinary action damage and disciplinary action by the pilotage authority that

licenses them.
It is remarkable also that the only change made to this legislation by Parliament when it reviewed pilotage legislation in the Merchant Shipping Act 1979 was to increase to £500 the maximum amount that a pilot who refuses to proceed to a vessel can be fined. Parliament made no provision for the introduction of a settled and introduction of a settled and stable form of financing ar-rangement to enable pilotage authorities to comply with their statutory obligations while shipthe benefits of a system devised in the early part of the nineteenth century. Yours faithfully,

. D. EVANS. Chairman, Marine Pilotage Branch of the TGWU. Transport House,

for the asking -but who do you ask?

There is still, despite cutbacks, a wide variety of Government aid and incentives available to industry and commerce.

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ority of a system not yet introduced is hard to imagine but, I am certain, readers will have no difficulty in deciding that safety and the general interest are better served by, say, licensing car drivers as opposed to cars being granted certificates to be driven.

The change in emphasis from the ship to the man in charge of it is not, as one correspondent obviously thinks, an idea floated by Trinity House. It was recommended by the Government Steering Committee on Pilotage (SCOP) in 1974, confirmed by the Advisory Committee on Pilotage (ACOP) and discussed at the committee stage when the Bill was passing through the House of Commons to become the 1979 Act. Shipowners were well represented on SCOP and ACOP, they sit on the London Pilotage Committee which is effectively the authority for London and on the Pilotage Commission. Their representatives must have account the changes and in the To: National Westminster Bank, demand,
This is, in effect, a huge devaluation, designed to wipe out the large gap between the official exchange rate and the free market rate for Ugandan I enclose a cheque for . Commercial Information Department, £ made of National Westminster Bank Room 214a, 41 Lothbury, book Official Sources of Finance and Aid for Industry in the U.K. at £4.95 a London EC2P 2BP. copy (inc. postage). President Obote said only a few people, including currency manipulators, and smugglers, had benefited from the previous Company.... artificial exchange rate. Ordi-nary Ugandans had had to pay inflated prices, related to the free market rate, for everyday Position _ Address_ commodities.

Last week's budget announced by President Obote sharply raised prices for petrol, Their representatives must have agreed the changes and in the latter case are in a strong position to influence the outcome, so what we now hear from must be only certain National Westminster Bank

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Chink of light at ICL

less gloomy picture than some had come to expect. Indeed, although the new management is facing an immense task, there are a few relatively encouraging signs. The rate of loss declined sharply in the second quarter from £24.4m pretax in the first quarter to £9.5m and it is conceivable that ICL could be reaching break-even at some stage before

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the year-end. There will also be large savings when the reductions in the workforce are complete: the cuts announced last week and in November could take about £60m out of employee costs in a full year. Meanwhile ICL is still making profits in its software and services operations which contribute over a fifth of revenues and is hopeful that demand for computers will begin to recover in 1982 as delayed orders are placed.

But any optimism on the trading front must be qualified by the fact that ICL is only trading in its present form by courtesy of the Government. The group has still to sraunch the outflow of cash which ran at 238m during the first half pushing borrowings up to £189m. Depending on the inci-



Mr Christopher Laidlaw, chairman of ICL.

dence of redundancies and the pattern of trading during the second half, it is not hard to visualize borrowings reaching £220m by the year-end by which time shareholders' funds may have fallen from £141m to less than £50m, given the ner losses the group is accruing.

The Government's loan guarantee means that this horrendous balance sheet becomes irrelevant for the moment and allows ICL a breathing space to tie up the parmership agreements it wants and a chance to climb back to profitability. It also, of course, reassures the banks, customers and suppliers. But at some stage ICL will need a sizeable slice of new capital and it is quite possible this might involve a significant dilution of ordinary shareholders' interests. So although the loan guarantee may ensure ICL's survival, shareholders should remember that there may be other risks involved

Metal Box Through the

storm

The worst year in the history of Metal Box is over, and the shares rose 4p to 194p yesterday. On a two-year view they look a good recovery stock, but a growth case cannot yet be made out. The group now has only half the domestic canning market. a fall of a tenth in a year. It has yet to show that it can beat off North American competition, still something of a novelty following the end of the marketing agreement, and some areas like food cans, seem

short of growth.

That said, the group has streamlined after a year of recession, destocking, a slump in Stelrad central heating thanks to cutbacks by the gas board, a strong pound and, for good measure, a bad summer. Pretax profits of £29.1m, against £62.8m in the year to last March, look better than feared only because the group has, for the full year, taken reorganization and redundancy costs of £21m

At half-time, the group charged £9.4m of redundancies directly against pretax profits. The year end accounting change is justified, the group says, on the grounds that the items are truly exceptional. There will be more of them this year, too. However, the group had almost all its United Kingdom profits wiped out, and the prospering over-seas contribution was sapped by minori-

ICL's shares perked up 3p to 381p with the interim results which presented a slightly group in a net loss on an inflation-adjusted group in a net loss on an inflation-adjusted basis of £22m making the balved ordinary dividend look generous.

The group could get savings of up to £40m this year from streamlining, the overseas companies led by South Africa, Nigeria and the United States could do even better, the pound is weakening, and in several areas at home such as paper and plastics packaging, engineering and general line cans, signs of recovery are already evident. Elsewhere they are not. However, the group could make £43m before tax, and

rather more the year after.
A complete dividend recovery will probably take two years though the group has kept down the cash drain by prudent housekeeping. Borrowings are still only half shareholders' funds. A rights issue is ruled out for the time being.

Sterling staged a useful rally on the foreign exchange, though it is early days yet preigh exchange, though it is early any year to read that the recent period of downward pressure is now over. Continental markets were closed yesterday for Whitsun, while the dollar ran into profit-taking against a background of slightly easier dollar interest rates. In fact, much of the limelight was stolen by gold, with news of the Israeli attack on an Iraqi nuclear installation sending the hullion price up \$11 in late dealings to \$4721. As far as sterling goes, the interesting point now is the extent to which yesterday's rally was helped by speculation on an MLR increase this week. If that were the case, then the currency could look a little soggy towards the end of the week, given that any immediate change in MLR looks highly unlikely.

Meanwhile, the longer end of the gilts

market also showed signs of getting up off the floor, helped both by sterling's recovery and revised figures for April retail sales showing that there was no April boom after all. The 1 per cent rise in the wholesale price output index was also rather better than expected, but attention is likely to concentrate rather more on the input index over the next couple of months. In May, it was up no less than 2.2 per cent and that was with sterling's (foreign exchange) index averaging 98.8 over the period. Now that it is some 5 per cent lower, the June figures promise to be awful, with the benefit of lower oil prices coming through only in

ABF

Growth in South Africa

Against the recessionary background, Associated British Foods is bursting with rude health. Not only are its pretax profits 16.4 per cent ahead at £114.9m but it has also managed to spend £120m while custing borrowings by £17m to leave gearing at 18 per This balance sheet strength partly indicates the quality of the group's cash control but is also helped by the increased liquidity arising from the growth of United Kingdom retailing which now accounts for 50 per cent of United Kingdom turnover and managed an 11 per cent trading profits improvement to £17.6m.

But the real trading news comes from South Africa where Premier increased profits by 54 per cent to £38.1m, leaving the overseas contribution 44 per cent ahead at £50.9m after a fall of about £1m in Australia. With Premier's chairman already forecasting earnings growth of at least 20 per cent this year, this points to at least another £7.5m from this source. In addition, there seems to be some recovery possibilities in Australia, while currencies are now moving firmly in ABP's favour with the rand up 6 per cent against sterling since the year-end and the Australian dollar up 11 per cent.

At home, manufacturing managed a 4 per cent improvement to £49.7m and ABF's market leadership appears to be continuing to nourish its ability to push price rises through apparently unscathed. So the prospects must be for profits up around £130m this time with the cautionary note that falls in United Kingdom consumer spending could trim this figure back significantly, for, in spite of the overseas performance, ABF's profits are still 56 per cent earned in the United Kingdom. Given that, the 3.8 per cent yield and prospective full-taxed p/e ratio on £130m of 11.5 may appear demanding but ABF's resilience is now sufficiently proven effectively to eliminate most of the risk.

The Monopolies and Mergers Commission is out of control, says the City. No one knows whether a merger bid will be referred to it or not, and if it is, no one has any idea which way the commission will rule.

The length of time it takes is another of the City's complaints. They say a merger can sometimes be nullified simply by the time the investigation takes, regardless of its conclusions. Bankers searching for a thread of con-

sistency in the commission's activities are repeatedly confounded by cases which seem to go against precedent or what they regard as common sense. They say it is bad for confidence, bad for business:

One banker opined privately that it was all a question of how well you chatted up the senior civil servants at the Office of Fair Trading.

That last suggestion would certainly offend Mr Gordon Borrie, the mild former law professor who has been Director-General of the Office of Fair. Trading for exactly five years. But the accusation of inconsistency is one to which he has a forthright answer.

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"If the City want predictability," he
said, "then we might have to say that
all cases where a company has assets
of over £100,000 should go to the
Monopolies Commission. I suggest that
would be silly because it would hold
up mergers and waste the resources of
the commission."

Under the 1973 Fair Trading Act, a merger qualifies for investigation where the company to be taken over has assets of £5m or more, or when the two com-panies between them would have at least 25 per cent of the market for those goods or services in the United

If those criteria apply, Mr Borrie is in a uniquely influential position, as guardian of the public interest. He says he will refer a merger to the commission "where there is some significant inhibition of competition, or if there is other significant detriment such as to our balance of payments, or employment, especially in hard-hit areas, or efficiency".

He says he has to consider whether the marrying of two different manage-ment styles will work or not. In other words, as he himself says, "I can look at anything ".

In practice, of course, a large number of mergers or intended mergers never reach him, but are considered by the senior civil servants at the Office of Fair Trading, Mr John Bailes, the senior principal, and his two senior executive officers, Mr Robin Agar, and Mr Andre Hook.

The bulk of the OFT's business is therefore dealt with at a much lower level, and is necessarily confidential. The representative of a company will contact probably either Mr Agar or. Mr Hook and request, on a "no names basis" guidance as to whether an intended merger is likely to fall foul of the Monopolies Commission or not. The next stage in the procedure is for a bid to come before the Mergers' Panel, which includes representatives The City is confused about monopolies and mergers policy. Rupert Morris reports

Is the machine out of control?





Mr Gordon Borrie (right), Director-General of the Office of Fair Trading and Sir Godfray Le Quesne, chairman of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission: putting up desences against City's attack.

of relevant government departments. The panel hears and comments on the evidence compiled by OFT officials.
The panel paper is then expected to
form the basis of the director-general's
report to the Secretary of State for

Trade. Mr Borrie's report is far from being all his own work, and at various stages it will have been possible for pressure to have been exerted, either on the civil servants, or through government departments on members of the

Mergers' Panel.

Eur Mr Borrie, though once a Labour candidate, insists that he works in a completely non-political way. "It's surprising" he says, "that there are so few disagreements between someone like me who is operating non-politically and someone operating politically like the Secretary of State.

Norable exceptions have been the decision in 1976 not to refer Tate and Lyle's takeover of Manbre and Garton—a Cabinet decision in which Mrs. Shirley Williams, the Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, was overfuled in her view which accor-

ded with Mr Borrie's-and more recently in 1979 where Mr John Nott,

marters of public interest it is impossi-

imagine how I could be consistent."
Doubtless Mr Biffen, the Trade Secretary, would say the same.
But if there is apprehension about the likely decisions of Mr Borrie and

Mr Biffen, there is no less uncertainty in anticipating the conclusions of the Monopolies Commission.

Sir Godfray Le Quesne, chairman of the commission, argues, like Mr Borrie, that this is inevitable because "the

considerations are different in every

the then Trade Secretary, ignored Mr
Borrie's advice that Thorn's offer for
EMI should be referred.
Mr Borrie is phleamatic about these
decisions—he says Thorn/EMI was "a
borderline case"—and insists that in

ble to be consistent.
"Since I deal with each case separately, each decision is separate and pragmatic, and it is impossible to

case".

"I'm sure," says Sir Godfray, "that
if I were a businessman I would say I could operate more easily, more beneficially to other people, if I didn't have to comply with all sorts of government

"But I don't think there's any doubt that if a person has a monopoly he is

in a position to do good to himself at the expense of the public."

So the commission acts as the arbiter of public interest, and Sir Godfray says this is quite separate from political considerations, "You will not find any report where we have discussed govern-

ment aims or policies," he says. But the commission does work quite closely with the OFT. "If the director-general has it in mind to make a reference he would normally consult us about the terms of reference. When he makes a reference, we always have a meeting with the OFT people and if it is a merger they send us evidence", says Sir Godfray.

He makes no apology for the time it takes the commission to report. "The commission has always taken the view that it must give people ample oppor-tunity to explain their position. Com-panies being investigated often need a considerable time to present their evidence. The pile of submissions on The Ohserver shows that it cannot be done in a week. There are always so many people who want to put forward their point of view."

The commission has been required to take on extra watchdog work in respect of nationalized industries and companies held to be in breach of the 1980 Competition Act. Last month's report on the Central Electricity Generating Board covered 336 pages.

It is now investigating TI Raleigh Industries' refusal to supply discount outlets with bicycles, and it is likely soon to be looking into Petter Refrigera tion's practice of trying to induce its authorized dealers not to service com-petitor's equipment. But Mr Borrie does not expect the Competition Act to cause much extra work

Returning to the commission's estab lished role, recent cases which have caused surprise have been the decision to allow S. & W. Berisford to go on with its attempt to take over the British Sugar Corporation, but to refuse the Canadian Hiram Walker's bid for High-

land Distilleries. In the first instance, the commission was not unanimous, and admitted that the merger would be anti-competitive, but concluded that this could be avoided by Berisford giving certain undertakings on not changing BSC's

on bor coanging BSCs and activities or purposes.

On Hiram Walker, Sir Godfray would not comment directly, but he did says.

"The fact that the bidder is an overseas company is sometimes a factor which we regard as a matter of public interest." That may well have counted crucially against the Canadian com-

crucially against the Canadian com-pany's bid.

If the City wants a general guide on mergers policy. Mr Borrie would remind them that of 182 cases that came before them in the past year, only five bave been referred. Mr Borrie con-cludes: "There is an assumption that if shareholders want them, mergers are a good thing".

Piling the pressure on BNOC

The Government, Whitehall, the British National Oll Corporation (BNOC) and the North Sea producers have moved into uncharted waters.

After last week's fail in ster-ling on foreign exchange markers and against the background of the continuing world oil glur —an estimated 2 million barrels daily is surplus to requirements —the BNOC bayed to the reality of the market place and growing pressure from the oil companies by offering to cut North Sea prices by 5 per cent to US\$37.25 a barrel.

The BNOC's offer broke new ground. For the first time the company, which is the single-largest trader in North Sea oil, acted before Nigeria with whose oil North Sea prices have customarily been aligned.

But the \$2 a barrel cut is still substantially short of the reduc-tions sought by the big produ-cers such as British Petroleum and Shell. They want reductions of around \$5 a barrel on North Sea prices.

A reduction of this scale would not only more realistically reflect the state of the market where large discounts are being offered—on the Rotterdam spot market North Sea sea crudes are being sold at between \$33.34 a barrel—but would provide for the oil companies some prospects of redu-ced losses on their downstream (refineries, chemical plants and the like) operations.

Refinery and other down-

stream operations are a headache for the big companies. BP was losing between 17m-110m a week and Shell around 13m before sterling's slide last

BP Oil, the principal market-ing arm of BP, has gone so far as to claim that even a \$5 a barrel cut by the BNOC from the previous price of \$39.25 a barrel would still result in a loss of 3p a gallon on its oil and petrol production. But other North Sea producing com-panies, which do not have the extensive downstream operations of the big producers, are attempting to pull the BNOC

interests

away from further reductions, away from further reductions, a policy with which the Treasury will have some sympathy. Back of the envelope calculations suggest that every \$1 off North Sea prices reduces the Chancellor of the Exchequer's tax take by about £180m. It seems that the Treasury has been prepared to go alone

has been prepared to go along with the BNOC \$2 cut offer since the reduction in revenue would be almost totally compensated for by the rise in the value of North Sea crude (oil is traded in dollars) following the dollar's renewed strength.

Conflict of

Negotiations between the BNOC and the anti-\$2 a barrel tut companies have entered a

Peter Hill

critical phase, with the Treasury keeping a close eye on developments. The arguments could be resolved within days or alternatively could rumble on to the end of the month. will remain unresolved after that. There are two reasons for this. The first is that the end of the month is the date at which the BNOC would normally implement new price levels; the second is that North Sea production permits, fixed quarterly by the Department of Energy, have to be set for the third quarter.

It is to this area that BP (which has adopted a particularly high profile in the present controversy) has turned its big will remain unresolved after

controversy) has turned its big

guns. For the present quarter. But BP is already warning BP was allocated a production that it will cut production to permit for an average of 430,000 documents daily unless it

production to 430,000 barrels a day for commercial reasons.

The precise relations The precise relationship between the companies and the

BNOC and the Department of Energy is unclear. But there is a general understanding that permit levels will be achieved within a margin of plus or minus 5 per cent—barring over-riding technical factors, BP is

Energy Department relationship

insistent that its already intro-duced production cut was for commercial reasons and in the present climate it is unlikely to lift production in the final three months of the present

barrels daily from its huge gets further BNOC tariff reduc-Forties field; it has already cut tions. BP and the other biz tions. BP and the other biz producers are much more concerned to cur costs on their downstream operations than to make money—which is very heavily taxed—on upstream (production) operations. This appears to be a potenti-ally powerful card to play-

ally powerful card to play-discussions on production levels for the next quarter are now imminent—since the Depart-ment of Energy appears to hold no sanctions in its locker against under-producers.

The stakes all round are high. If BP were to go shead with its threat an estimated £600m a year of government revenue would be "shut in" on the Forties field.

So far some hands have been declared and it is clear that the North Sea oil prices issue will be the focus of heated debate over the next few weeks before the inevitable compromise is

Business Diary: Is blacksmithing a stable job?

There are two signs above the stable door. The paint on the smaller board flaked away long ago, leaving in outline on the bare wood the legend "C. B. Carey, Blacksmith". But the larger and more recent board, its battle with the Lambeth grime yet to be lost, evokes hope and continuity rather than nostalgia." C. B. Carey & Son "

ir savs. Inside the stable doors, which though kept ajar are on a latch-chain, it is a different story. There, in the murk of the oneroomed smithy lined with rusty sheaves of metal, tending the one forge and hammering at the one anvil is but one blacksmith.

It is Mr Carey right enough but he is the "& Son" not the C. B. of the signs. Cecil the father retired nearly 20 years ago and has been dead these five. His son, his one son, is also Cecil. He is also a bachelor of 58, and thus as far as the smithy goes he is as he says the absolute end of the line". A softly-spoken, almost frail figure, natty in brown suede trilby, horn rims, brown and white broad-striped shirt and

matching tie and blue overalls, Cecil Carey is not the "mighty" village smith that Longfellow put "under the spreading chestnut tree Mr Carey's part of Lambeth is villagey enough in its sooty way, but the nearest chestnut tree is two accident blackspots in Kennington Park. Were he to hammer under that, he would disturb the tramps who snore beneath it, night and

He is not a man for nostalgia himself, however much his train may be steeped in it, even



Photograph by Brian Harris Too busy for nostalgia: Cecil Carey, town blacksmith, at work in Lambeth yesterday.

Inside the forge, apart from a 1955 calendar from a local

to be found is that which blows

in this gritty mews just off the over the years it wears a bit Oval There is a latch-chain on the stabled door to keep nosralgia at bay.

I never work with the door open now, because it fascinates people—they can't help it—they in with the customers, stop here, want to talk to me and I never get any work done.

"They say 'Oh, there's not many of you people left nowamany of you people left now many of you people left nowadays. They always say that I used to agree with them and have a little chat, but when you. get it four or five times a day,

self.", says Mr Carey, who has been in the trade here since demon in '47. "I could make the shoes, but the actual fitting of them, you've got to be a bir of a vet. It's an art on its own, really. His sole indulgence in the

Pve never shod a horse my-

past seems to be his living inthe same flat in Battersea to which his family moved when he was a lad of 10. Otherwise, he is too taken up with an ominous present. Much of his which his rathery moved when "I mean, I like a scrott prohe was a lad of 10. Otherwise, perly formed, for one thinghe is too taken up with an For another, these machineominous present. Much of his made gates, well, they are
work is—or was—the shaping skimpy, badly-shaped, roughly
and tempering of bits and of sheared off and poorly welded.
brackets for builders—"and "H it's a light gate, you
then there of builders—"and brackets for builders—"and brackets—"and brack when they're depressed, so am

Set apart from most denizens of inner London by his calling, Mr Carey is distinguished further by the esteem in which

company. "They're always. The way to make money in smashing the cabs up, and I smirhing, it seems, in 1981 as straighten out the stiffeners— in 1841 when Longfellow wrote the things that go behind the The Village Blacksmith, is once fender—and also the brackets again under that spreading which ways the "We had I? which carry them." He had 13 sets in, about two weeks' worth. Mention of Brixton, another if less villagey part of Lambeth, prompts Mr Carey to say that since the riots he had had a welcome order for window

Most of my jobs nowadays, motor agent, the only nostalgia a sign of the times I suppose, are security work. The police send people to me. You know, people get broken into, and they send them to me . . after the horse bas bolted." smirns, or they have known a blacksmith and remember as a dow grilles are "plain, straight-forward stuff" although when shoe a horse. I've heard it so many times.

gates. Nowadays they do with out or they buy the mass pro-duced gear with which Mr Carey could and would not com-

£12, but not from him he says.
A Carey gate would cost about three times as much, look better and last at least three times as

know, they can deteriorate, especially on the bottom where the water hangs. But with, say, three-quarter-inch framing, they really go on for years and years

He has one regular job, he explains, and that is for a cab company. "They're always the cabs up, and I straighten out the stiffeners—in 1841 when Longfellaw and years."

Mr Carey, however, is not going beyond the end of this year if business does not buck up. The way to make money in smithing, it seems, in 1981 as the things that so behind the chestnut tree.

In the country, travelling around the farms to mend the machines and to shoe Fiona's pony, that is where the money is, says Carey. Even now.

He is not up to that, and here in town he is already dipping into his capital just to keep up with Lambeth's rate demands. When the good times return to Lambeth, therefore, they might not find the "& Son" in the news They who knows but news. Then, who knows but Fiona might talk daddy into keeping a pony in the former stable, you know, for when one's in town?

Ross Davies

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HIGHLIGHTS from the Report and Accounts for the Year to 31st March 1981.

Year to 31st March	Total Assets	Total Revenue Earnings Dividend	NAV
	£0000's	£000's p	P
.1977	118,353	5,325 4.36 4.30	175
1978	126,015	5,603 4.80 4.85	188
1979	139,461	6.158 6.11 5.70	211
1980	122,829	8,315 8.18 7.00+0.85	184
1981	157,010	9719 948 885	241

EARNINGS-UP16%

There was a very satisfactory increase in total revenue in view of the large amount of exceptional U.K. dividends received in the previous year. Dividends in the U.K. showed only a small increase, but the greater amount of gilts held and the continuing high level of short term interest rates both in the U.K. and the U.S.A. resulted in a large increase in unfranked revenue.

DIVIDEND-UP12%% The dividend of 8.85p per share compares with 7.85p last year, which included 0.85p in respect of exceptional U.K. dividends received. Adjusting for this factor the total for 1981 represents an increase of 261/2% over the previous year.

NET ASSET VALUE-UP 31%

Despite the world recession most major stock markets rose strongly during the year, the U.S. and Japanese investments performing particularly well. The majority of the Company's properties have been sold and some £10 million of the proceeds were used to purchase U.S. Dollars, the greater part of which has been invested in U.S. equities.

The timing and strength of the recovery in both the U.K. and the U.S.A. is still uncertain. In the U.S.A. however strong earnings growth will continue to be shown in selected sectors and the long-term prospects in the Far East remain attractive. The Board consider that some further increase in the overseas proportion of the portfolio is appropriate. This together with the lower interest rates generally anticipated, is likely to result in some reduction in earnings in the current year. However the Board expect to be able to maintain the dividend at the present rate.

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Stock markets

Modest gains in equities

The threat of a rise in MLR appeared to ease yesterday with the steadier poind, but it failed to entice many investors into the market.

Nevertheless, despite business being at its lowest level for several weeks, the market closed on a firm note with lead-ing equities showing modest

The economic indicators from the United States encouraged jobbers at the start of business to mark up prices. Better than expected figures from ICL and Metal Box were also taken as a hopeful sign. But, with sentiment still trying to interpret the full implications of the currency market and whether it will mean a rise in interest rates, investors kept away. Prices drifted during the day to perk up again by late afternoon. The economic indicators from

Gilts recovered slightly from the recent falls but dealers still said there was little interest. Longs, after opening at Friday night's levels, rallied by as much as £\(^1_2\) during the day to close up £\(^1_4\) better. Thin conditions were reported in shorts which started better. They drifted but ended up to \(^1_4\) to a file. d but ended up to E to E

higher.

The good start saw the FT Index lifted 1.1 to 547.4. But with the unsettled tone in the market it had drifted down by 0.6 at 3 pm. By the close, however, it was up 1.6 at 547.9. The change on the account, which ends this week, is 5.4 up.

Dealers in leading equities described a steady start to described a steady start to trading with higher prices in most blue chips. But the slack interest saw shares hover at lower prices durin gthe day to

rise by the close. The small rise in sterling against the dollar brought renewed interest for dollar earners with Beechams up 4p to 207p. Unilever gained 8p to 571p. Hawker, after press comment, rose 6p to 314p and Glaxo 4p to 360p. The 50 per cent drop in profits from Metal Box was still better than market expectations and shares initially expectations and shares initially gained 15p to 205p. But further consideration saw shares ease

Bass, ahead of results today; clipped 2p to 245p. British Aerospace, up 5p to 231p, drew strength from its aircraft

to 194p.

It was left to companies reporting and special situations again to provide most of the news. After the news of further regundancies at ICL on Friday the market took cheer from the £34m losses which were not less than better than most forecasts. The shares gained 3p to 381p.

The 16.4 per cent lift in profits at AB Poods saw shares pick up 4p to 143p and after improved results at Premier Consolidated Oils shares moved up 1 p to 64 p.

dominated by speculation of what will happen after today's tender offer by the German insurance company Allianz for Eagle Star. But jobbers Teported little two-way trade.

Laganvale Estate's share price has just topped the year's high has just topped the year's night at 39p. Helping it on its way may have been brokers Strauss, Turnbull who recently recommended Laganvale, where Mr Jim Slater and associates hold 42 per cent, as a strong but speculative buy.

positions have already made. Other insurance stocks are still making good headway. Eagle Star closed 3p firmer at 283p. GRE was 6p up at 306p and General Accident rose 8p to 326p. Commercial Union was 4p up at 173p and Royal was 5p ahead at 390p. Phoenix closed 16p better at 286p and Sun Alliance 22p up at 868p.

In after bours' trading, T. W. Ward rose 3p to 130p after the lapsing of the offer

for Tunnel Holdings. Tunnel dropped back 1p to 440p.

With results on Thursday, Westland added 9p to 154p but eased to 150p by the close. Holiday issues such as Horizon Travel showed concern about sterling with an 8p drop to 255p and Saga gave up 12p to 333p. Adverse comment over the weekend on low pay depressed laundry stocks such as Spring Grove, down 5p to 93p.

Equity turnover for June 5

Equity turnover for June was £168,637m (bargains 15,849). Active stocks, according to the Exchange Telegraph, were GEC, ICI, Sun Alliance, Allied Breweries, Beecham, Cawoods and Commercial

Traditional options: Dealers reported increased activity for the new account which started yesterday. Calls were made in Mersey Docks at 23p, in Premier at 63p, in Hougkong Telephones at 25p and ICL at

Traded options: A total of 1.001 contracts were completed. P and O attracted 15. RTZ 15. Shell 10, Lonrho 165, ICI 92 and Commercial Union 12.

Latest results

Company	Sales Em	Profits	Earnings:	Div pence	Pay Year	
Int or Fin				репсе		
Angio-Indonesian (F)	3,48(10.34)	0.52(1.1)	,2.76(15.29)	3.3(3.3)	28/8 3.33(3	
AB Foods (F)	2,574(2,146)	114(98)	18.7(16.9)	2.6(2.3)	- 20/7 3.8(3.4	
Camford Eng (1)	18.9(20.2)	0.28*(0.9)	—(—)	—(1.63)	- (1.5	i3)
Everards Brewery (I)	6.64(5.92)	0.65(0.62)	-(-)	-(-)	(-)	
ICL (I)	318(346)	33:9*(20.5)		- (0.95)	(2.9	
Metal Box (F)	1,076(1,122)	29.1(62.8)	7.6(50.8)	6:5(11.8)	24/7 10.7(2	0.3)
Premier Oil (F)	2.63(3.08)	1.3(0.5)	. 0.33(0:25*)	()	·()	
Warren Plant (F)	30.7(29.2)	5.26(6.79)	· 25.8(32.8)	7(7)	23/7 10(10)	
Dividends in this tabl	le are shown	net of tax on	pence per share.	Elsewhere in Bus	iness News divi	idenda
are shown on a gros	s basis. To e	stablish gross	multiply the net	dividend by 1.42	. Profits are	shown
pretax and earnings a						

Briefly

Systems Designers International Ltd., the Camberley-based miniand micro-computer technology group, reports almost doubled pretax profits for 1980. During the 11 months ended December 31, 1980, SDIL registered a pretax profit of £625,872—up by 82.4 per cent on £343,107 for the 12 months ended January 31, 1980. The company plans to seek a public guotation within the next public quotation within the next

five years.

Lloyds Bank: Following final verification of the acceptances received under the offer for Lloyds and Scottisk's ordinary shares, a total of 4.07m new shares in Lloyds Bank will be issued as consideration. Share alternative consideration. Share alternative now closed, but offer remains open.

Bestobell: Acceptances received

for 1.71m new ordinary shares, being about 96 per cent of shares offered by way of rights issue. P. Panto: Chairman, Mr Philip Panto, reports in his annual state ment that the large loss-making areas have been eradicated. Reductions in interest rates this year will considerably assist Pame, as will the sale of vacant properties at Cardiff and Walsall.

Bremper: Chairman, Mr J. T. Bremper, reports that trading remains difficult, while costs contique to rise.

Percy Bilton: Chairman, Mr Percy Bilton, reports that for the first four months of 1981, overall profitability has shown a signifi-cant upturn " in the order of 123 per cent". Significant increases in profits are available to the company during the next three years and beyond. More O'Ferrall: In spite of the recession, 1980 was a very good year for the group, the chairman, Mr E. R. More O'Ferrall, reports

in his statement. In 1981; although the market in the United Kingdom has been less buoyant, revenue from the Sportston has held up well so far.

Lee Cooper: Mr Harold Cooper, chairman, states that 1981 should show an improvement over 1980, although this is subject to the value of the pound in foreign exchange markers. Board confident that, subject to unforeseen circumstances, 1982 will see the resumption of profitable growth. Everards Brewery: Turnover for 24 weeks to March 14, 1981, £6.64m (£5.92m). Pretax profits, £651,200 (last time, £629,300, before creditextraordinary item of

Camford Engineering: Turnover for six months to March 31, 1981, slipped from £20.22m to £18.94m and the company made a pretax loss of £286,000, compared with a pretax profit of £907,000 last year. No interim dividend (against 2.32p. grass)

Guthie sells subsidiary for £22.8m

Guthrie Corporation, the trading and plantation group, has agreed to sell a majority stake in its Far East subsidiary, Guthrie Berhad, to Multi Purpose Holdings for Singapore \$10im (about £22.8m).

Multi Purpose will be allowed to make an incondi-Multi Purpose will be allowed to make an unconditional general offer for the outstanding 27 per cent of Gutisie Berhad shares not already owned after the purposes of the same price per chase at the same price per share, \$\$4.175. The initial sale of 24.25 million shares, which represents a 73 per cent stake, is subject to epproval by the regulatory

Warren payout held despite setback

Generally lower commodity prices helped depress Warren Plantation's 1980 pretax profits by £1.23m to £5.26m. Nevertheless, the final dividend of 10p gross was the same despite the rights issue at the end of last year. The full dividend is therefore maintained at 14.3p gross. The rights issue raised £2.9m to fund diversification. Some £480,000 has been spent on development of the Iffley Cotton Taroo project in Australia, and further sums are earmarked for building a palm oil mill in Indonesia.

nesia. It is also intended to add coffee to the tea grown on the estates in Papua New Guinea. Despite the recession affect

ing Warren's two main British subsidiaries, the paint maker Joseph Mason and the can manufacturers D K. S. Containers, domestic operations still generated £1.6m or 31 per cent of pretax profits.
India, however, remains the biggest single contributor to biggest single contributor to profits. The tea estates, which employ 15,000 people, contributed £1.74m or 33 per cent of pretax profits. Indonesia, mainly rubber and oil palm, brought in just over £1m, and Kenya, which produces coffee

and tea, £973,000. Warren warns however, that it is becoming increasingly difficult to find new plantation projects whose payback period can justify investment. It is possible that Warren will diver-

Anglo-Indonesian

profit nearly halved

sify into other overseas activities, for example import-export. Earnings per share were down from 32.8p to 25.8p.

Last year's sale of its Sri Lankan interests left Anglo-Indonesian, the plantations and engineering group, with pretax profits of £526,000 against £1.09m in 1979, But the divi-dend was held at 4.75p gross.

A maintained dividend was possible because of the £635,000

entered as an extraordinary item after the sale of Walkers, the Sri Lankan company, and the extraordinary loss of £129,000 from Eva, the associ-

sted engineering company where Anglo-Indonesian built

up its stake to more than 30 per cent earlier this year.

Premier Oil doubles to £1.3n

Premier Consolidated Oil-fields more than doubled its pretax profits to £1.3m in the year to March 31. The sale of half its stake in Lasmo, which restized £5.61m, shown as an extraordinary item, turned the after-tax position round from a £271,000 loss to a £6.08m profit, but premier is sticking to its but premier is sticking to its no-dividend policy for the time being, ploughing back its earnings into the search for oil and gas. However, there is to be a one-for-ten scrip issue. The shares rose 2p to 641p yester-

day. Production is expected to

rise sharply this year. Premier's oil and gas sales fell from \$\frac{1}{2}.08m\$ to \$\frac{12}{2}.64m\$ last year after the cloesure of its Tennessee coal mine and the reduction of its stak in the Midway Sunst oilfield in Califnornia from 68

Rr Roland Shaw, chairman of Premier Consolidated Oilfields Premier Co

A joint venture specializing the PA-Gresham team. Gresin financing management buy-outs has been set up by Gresham Trust and a PA Gresham Trust and a PA Developments, a subsidiary of Developments, a substitute of Developments, a substitute of Consultants, following a decision by a PA client, the Merchant Navy Officers' pension fund, to invest some of its £500m portfolio in unquoted companies.

PA Developments channel cash from the MNO pension fund, one of the ten largest private sector pension funds in Britain, into the management buy-outs selected by

Mr Michael Nightingale,

chairman of Anglo-Indonesian

said that the cash from the

Walkers sale will be spent on

expanding the group's planta-

tion interests and on acquisi-

tions in Britain. The company

has been preparing to start

work on the 5,000-acre Tasik

concession in Indonesia where

compared with £846,000 were further depressed by an almost unchanged tax charge of £244,000.

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bam, which specializes in investing in unlisted companies, wil match the MNO pension fund's outlay. The MNO pension fund has

amual income of around £65m. Probably less than 5 per cent of that flow will be chaunelld into the PA-Gresham joint venture, which may bring in other partners for individual buy-outs costing more than £750,000 to £1m.

Initially, the PA-Gresham team will seek suitable com-panies through profesional panies through profesional advisers with local knowledge.

Gamma in

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being carried out. **Brook St outlook** bright in longer-te

return to normal tradi ditions in the UK produce a sustained den

Gamma Beta Investments, a private company owned by the Syrian Chamsi Bacha family, has returned to the fray with its third cash offer, now worth that there will be an i

Gamma Beta's first offer. recommended by the board as is its newest bid, was worth £1.75m and sparked off a round of rival offers from textile group Stroud Riley Drummond. Yesterday's £2.5m offer from Gamma . offer from Gamma Bera exceeds the £2.31m pure cash

US deal

(£180,000).

version of Stroud's second and latest bid, but is just under the current £2.51m value of the cash-and-shares form. Mr Richard Stroud, managing director, said Stroud Riley Drummond's board would meet its advisers later this week to consider the new offer.

Stroud owns 27.4 per cent Hield, most of which it bought from Illingworth Morris in December for an undisclosed sum. With Hield's shares up ip to 15ip last night, Stroud is sit-ting on a considerable profit on its share stake.

Gamma Beia, which is Hield's Dr Roy Bichan and Mr Alex Taylor have joined the board of Robertson Research Holdings.

Valor, the domes appliance maker, ha £560,000 cash for th

Midlands concern. Industries.

Confirming that I operations will suffer siderable loss " in the f of 1981, Mr Eric Hurchairman of Brook Bureau of Mayfair, tell holders in his annual stepts " ones the burdle that "once the hurdle has been cleared, a The battle for ownership of loss-making worsted manufac-turer Hield Brothers is reach-

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Outlook for UBM sector is not good Mr Michael Phillip chairman of the Brists UBM Group, finds it ex difficult at this stage : cast but says in his starement that the outle businesses in the sect which UBM operates, i current year, is not goo

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main export customer taking up to 30 per cent of its turnover in any one year, owns 11.8 per cent of Hield's equity, and with acceptances of 14.9 per cent and the board's support, now has 27.9 per cent interest in the ordinary shares and a third of the preference contact. the preference capital together worth 28.8 per cent of the vote. Mr Chakar Chamsi Bacha said last night that he is confident that the increased cash offer will win Hield for Gamma Beta

directors. Mr J. B. Judkins, manager of National Tyre Service (Garage Equipment), has been elected president of The Garage Equipment Association. Mr Hugh Parkman is to take over the chairmanship of Parkman Group. Mr Rex Boyd leaves the boards of Ward, Ashcroft and Parkman and Parkman Consultants to join that of Parkman Group and becomes managing director of Parkman Group Professional Services, a new company. Mr Boyd also takes over the chairmanship of G.E.C.S. Mr George Puddephart becomes managing director of Parkman Consultants (Isle of Man). Mr George Easin and Mr George Hindmarsh become joint managing directors of both Ward, Ashcroft and Parkman and Parkman Consultants (UK). Mr Harry Gulton leaves the board of Parkman Consultants (UK). Mr Harry Oulton leaves the board of Parkman Projects. Six new parteine members of Area Electricity Boards are: Mr John C. Heywood and Mr Richard Carew Pole, to the South Western area: Mr Raymond Chadburu and Mr George H. Boyle, East Midlands; Mr Timothy Knowles, South Wales: and Mr Peter A Smith	mail the increased cash offer will win Hield for Gamma Beta now. Bambers Stores "Turnover is running well ahead of last year and we are looking forward to another successful year," declared Mr S. Marks, chairman of Bambers Stores, at the annual meeting. In the next few months, Bambers will open a further 10-12 stores, with trading areas in excess of 7,000 sq ft each. WHOLESALE PRICES Indicas (1975=100) of wholesale prices of manufacturing industry published by manufacturing industry published by the Department of Industry yesterday. Output Prices of prices materials in prices materials in gretton feets and in the prices materials in gretton feets and in the prices of materials in gretton feets and in the prices of prices materials in gretton feets and in the prices of prices pr
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Organisation (ISO, will not increase export quotas if current prices are maintained or rise only slightly, but will defer decisions until the next meeting of its executive committee on June 23, Mr William Miller, the executive director said.
flowever, the committee allowed a nominal five per cent increase in the global quota triggered when the ISO prevail-ing price rose above 15 cents a pound, aithough this has

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Foreign exchange report

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Wall Street

New York, June S.—Stocks closed lugger with the New York Exchange index up 0.03 to 76.76 and the average price per share and the average price per share up two cents.

The Dow jones industrial average ruse 1.85 to 995.64 and advances led-declines 777 to 735 as tolume narrowed to 41,580,000 shares from 47,180,000 on Friday. Short-term incress rates eased today, and Eankers. Trust Co lowered his prime rate to 20 per cent, toming other major banks. Bank stocks were strong, bene-Bank stocks were strong, bene-fiting from the growing expecta-tion that interest rates will case. Bankers Trust was the most active stock, gaining 1! to 224 on volume of about 1,000,600 shares. Citicorp edged up 1 to 284 in active trading, Bankamerica added 1 to 251 and Chese Manhattan rose 1 to 32. J. P. Morgan tacked on to 391 and Wells Fargo 2 to 314:

Among active issues, Warner-Lambert rate 1 to 242, UAL gained 1 to 301 and outhern California Edition 1 to 26. Texaco was up to 342. It mars to repurchase up to 5,000,000 shares, according up to 5,000,000 shares, according to a spokesman.

Among the precious metals issues Sanshine Mining was up to 111. Hecla up 1 to 164. Dome Mines up 1 to 191. Homestake up 1 at 121 and ASA up 11 to 482. The stocks of Japanese electronics firms again were pounded. Maisushita fell 41 to 681. Suny was down 11 at 222 and Kroto was off 2 at 381.

US commodities

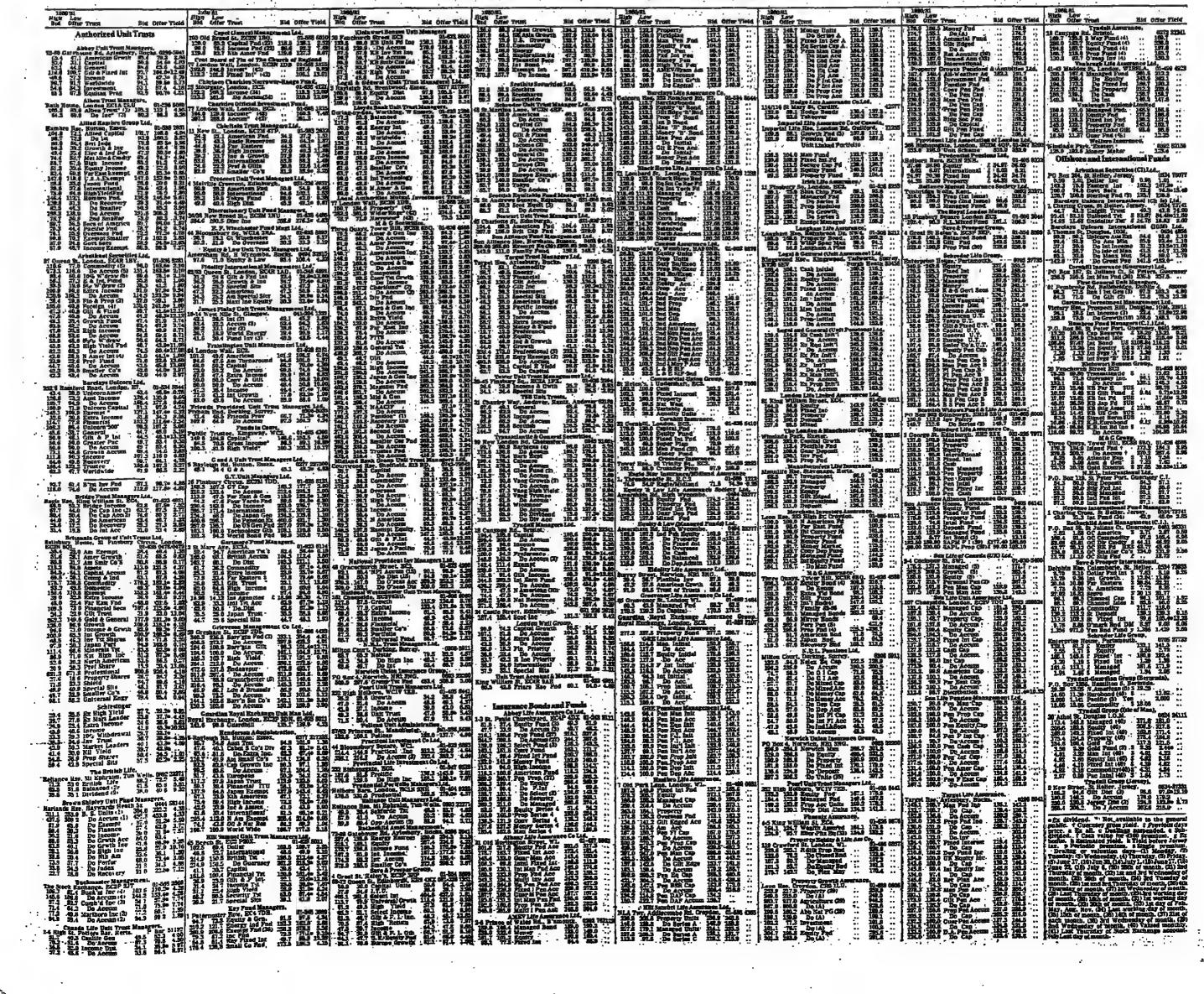
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MADGE (ITV 9.00 pm) is a gently humorous play by Bill MacIlwraith dominated by a conniving granny played by Isabel Dean. The local school's children's safety committee, inexplicably peopled by parents only, decide, behind the back of granny, to push for a Lollipop man to ensure the safety of the children. She wants a footbridge but faced with the fait accompli she outwardly agrees to the majority decision. Then she really begins to play dirty. Derek Farr plays a rather ineffectual lecher in his dotage who unaccountably sweeps Madge off her feet. Not exactly reveting stuff, but an alternative to tonight's other offerings at the same time — beauty and psychiatry.

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programme is not on a half-an-hour later when the majority of school children would have been able to reach a radio in order to listen to this fascinating history lesson.

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tale about an attempt to rob a train of its 12 million dollars cargo. David Niven is the smooth gangleader.

9.00 News with John Edmunds. 9.25 Miss Europe 1981. Simon Cadell introduces the 22 hope-fuls from the Night Out Theatre

7.25 News including e sub-titled synopsis for the hard-of-hearing. 7.40 Images of War. A look at

the work of Gerry Massy-Collier

most about the theatre.

group performing at the Snape Maltings in Suffolk.

3.30 Maybury. Dr. Roebuck clashes with the hospital man-agement when one of his patients impersonates a doctor

and causes trouble. Patrick

coming to terms with post-Second World War life (r).

of her solicitor's questions difficult to answer.

5.45 News. 6.00 Thames News with Andrew Gardner and Rita Carter. 6.25 Help! Viv Taylor Gee with news about Oxfam

shops.
6.35 Crossroads. Kevin Banks

has a business proposition for

Adam Chance. 7.00 Mind Over Matter. The late

Marks.

9.30 am For Schools: Compari-son and length. 9.47 Living by the seaside. 10.04 Writing an adventure story. 10.30 Immi-gration in Britain. 11.05 Simple mathematics. 11.22 On duty mathematics. 11.22 On duty mathematics. 12.20 On duty Pie in Catty Cornered. 4.20

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mathematics. 11.22 On duty Pie in Catty Cornered. 4.20 with a nurse in a children's Bassmatzze. Pop groups and ward. 11.39 Arthur Scargill is games introduced by Alistair questioned on Making a Living. Parie and Lyn Spencer. 4.45 12.00 Cockleshell Bay. Ani. Ace Reports on the Kayak mated adventures of the Cockle Expedition 31. 5.15 Emmerdale bearing 12.10 pm Piskins. Pup Farm. Pat Merrick finds some

purpose in her life.
11.05 Platform One. Sue Lawley 1.46 The World at One.
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1.20 pm-J.SS Closedown, 5.10-5.40.
Bildowcar, 8.35-6.20 Wales Today,
8,85-7.26 Beddiw, 11.35 News and
weather Sentians, 13.1.55 Closedown,
5.55-6.20 Reporting Scotland, 17.0512.05 pm Rugby Union: Centerbury v
Scotland, 12.05 News and weather,
Narthern Ireland 10.32 am-10.58 For
Schools, 1.20 pm-3.53 Closedown,
3.53-3.55 Northern Ireland News,
5.55-6.20 Scene Around Siz., 11.6511.55 Oralorto, 11.55 News and
weather, Emgland 5.25-8.20 pm,
Regional Magazines, 11.40 Close. Restaurant, Birmingham, As-

> Stewart stars as Dr Roebuck. 10.20 Top Gear introduced by Judith Jackson. Among the items in this last programm thems in this last programme of the series is a report from the DIY Mechanic of the Year Competition and a nostalgic look at highlights in the successful career of the Tri-umph sports car. Ted Clements,

trial Arts. 7.05 Schools Council the work of Gerry Massy-Collier Curriculum Project. 7.30 Conflict who was part of a two-man War flict in the Family. Closedown of the Carol Africa and the Middle 10.30 Supervisors. How supervisors approach staff training (r). 10.55 Interval.

11.00 Play School. For the under-fives presented by Carol Chell and Fred Harris. Today's workers, led his union to their story is Gennarino, written by Nicola Simbari. Closedown at 11.25.

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12.25.

13.30 Supervisors. How supervisors approach staff training (r). 10.55 Interval.

13.40 Play School. For the union of Post Office Chell and Fred Harris. Today's workers, led his union to their first-ever strike. It crumbled after six weeks. Does he now feel that their action was a mistake? (see Personal Choice). the Senior Examiner of the Institute of Advanced Motorists gives advice on better driving and Sue Baker has news of the latest developments in products and ideas for motorists. and ideas for motorists.

10.50 Newsnight. Latest news from home and abroad plus a detailed look at one of the stories that made today's headlines. Presented by Peter Snow. Charles Wheeler, John Tusa and Peter Kobday with the weather news from Linda Alexander and sport from David Icke. mistake? (see Personal Choice). 8.30 The Theatre Quiz. Two teams of thespians compete to find which of them knows the questions are asked by Alfred 9.00 The Family Brown Enter-tains. Canada's top country sport from David lcke.

11.35 The Old Grey Whistle Test introduced by Anne Night-ingale. The latest news from the world of rock including high-lights of a concert recorded at the University of Surrey by Jack Bruce and Friends. T programme ends at 12.15 am.

on the trail of a man who is thought to have robbed a dozen banks.

8.30 Thicker Than Water. North Country comedy set in the Thirties about a widower and his three adult bachelor sons.

3.00 Play: Madge by Bill MacIlwraith, starring Isabel Dean and Derek Farr. Parents want a road safety precaution outside the local school. The majority opt for a lollipop man but one wants a footbridge (see Personal Choice).

10.30 News. 10.30 Where it Matters. From the Bradford Wool Exchange, Desmond Wilcox chairs a lively question and answer session on Race Relations. Among the panellists is Nicholas Winter-

ton, MP. 11.30 Rockstage. Madness, the lunatic fringe of the rock scene, in concert at the Theatre Royal, Nottingham.

12.25 am Close with a reading by Paul Johnson.

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11.38-11.50. Open University: Greek Science: Comparative Politics. Science; Comparative : 12.10 Close. 6.00 am News Briofing. 6.10 Farming Today. Radio 3 6.55 am Weather.

> 8.05 Morning Concert (continued) Schumann, Mozart, records. 9.00 News. 8.05 This records. 9.05 This Week's Composers.†
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> 9.35 Cummings String Trio recital;
> Haydn, Douglas Young, Beethoven.†
> 10.46 Bournemouth Sinfonietta
> concert: Arne, Grainger, Nielsen, Haydn. † 12.00 Brahms-Ensemble recital; part

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Radio 2

1.46 The Archers.
2.00 News.
2.02 Woman's Hour.
3.00 News.
3.02 Cold Comfort Farm.
4.00 Beggod, Borrowed or Stolen?
4.15 Origins: Hadrian's Wall.
4.45 Story Time.
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1:50 News.
1:50 Six Continents.
1:25 Brahms-Ensemble recital; part 2: Brahms.†
2:10 Music for Tenor and Harpsichord recital: Monteverdi, Parcell, Jeremiah Clarke, Willam Croft, Handel.†
2:50 Colonne Orchestra. Concert on records: Saint-Saens. Khachaturian.

7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers. 7.20 The Hitch-Hiker's Guide to the Calaxy 1 7.50 Who Was Then a Gentleman? The Peasant's Revolt of 1381. 8.35 A Touch of Comms. 9.05 In Touch. 10.00 The World Tonight. 10.30 Where Sport is Life. 11.00 A Book at Bedtime. 11.15 The Financial World Tonight.

11.30 Today in Parliament. 12.60 News. 12.15 am-12.23 Shipping Forecast.

VHF 9.30 am-10.15 For Schools: Voix France — French; Music interlu Edristyie Druz'ya!; Playtime. 10.30 Listen with Mother. VHF
5.55 am-6.55 Open University:
Schoenberg's Variations for Orchestra; Conflict and Stability 1870-1914.
11.15 pm-12.55 am Economics of Intervention: Partial Differential Equations; Patterns of Inequality; Government and Nationalized Industries; International Industrial Relations. 10.30 Listen with Mother.
10.45-11.40 For Schools: Teachers' information Programme; Let's Move; The Children's Story Writing Competition; Music Insertude; Introducing Science.
2.00 pm-2.40 For Schools: History: Long Ago; From the Caribbean; Stories and Rhymes.
5.50 PM.
11.00 Study on 4: Euromagazine II: Edicion espanda. 5.00 am Ray Moore 7.30 Terry

Wogan.† 18.00 Jammy Young.† 12.00 John Dunn.† 2.00 pm The Ed Stewart Show.† 4.00 Steve Jones.† 5.45 News. 6.00 David Symonds.† 8.00 Hubert Gregg.† 9.00 Marching and Waltzing.† 10.00 Funny You Should Ask. 16.30 The Spinners and Friends. 11.00 Brian Matthew! from 12.00 L00 am Trucker's Houn.† 2.00-5.00 You and the Night and the Music.† 7.00 News. 7.05 Morning Concert: Mozart, Liszt, Roussel, Shelius; records.† 8.00 News.

Radio 1

5.00 am As Radio 2. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.00 Andy Peebles. 12.30 pm Newsbeat. 12.45 Paul Burnett. 2.30 Daye Lee Travis. 4.30 Peter Powell. 6.00 Top 40 Singles Chart. 7.00 Talkabout. 8.00 Richard Schunger. 10.00 John Walters 1 Skinner. 10.00 John Walters. 12.00 Close. VHF RADIOS 1 and 2: 5.00 am With Radio 2. 10.00 pm With Radio 1. 12.00-5.00 am With Radio 2.

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Southern. As Thames except; 1.20 pm-1.30 News-5.15 Captain Nemo. 5.20-6.45 Cross-reds. 6.00 Day by Day. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30-8.30 Vegas. 11:30 Fim: The Rubled. Edward. Woodward. 12.20 am Weather followed by Human Being First.

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offences. Professor Gordon Trasler.

chairman of the division of criminological and legal psychology of the British Psychological Society, has praised in the division's Newsletter the "high technical competence" of the

He said the research brought home to British administrators

the limitations and the falli-bility of ways of dealing with

offenders which had previously enjoyed great and wholly un-

justified confidence.

Professor Trasler went on:

Government ministers are not

in the least embarrassed by the lack of support for their policies in the literature of penological research, for in this as in other fields they prefer their strong convictions to the doubts and hesitations of the

social scientists.

"To men in this frame of

mind research is an irrelevance;

it becomes acceptable and even commendable, in the public view, to dispense with the re-searchers altogether and to re-

turn to the simple conception of 'the fight against crime' which is being urged, with increasing stridency, by a chorus of chief constables and poli-

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Corresponden

The Home Office Research in longer come under Dr Oliver Simpson, the Chief Scientist, ished report criticizing the way olice investigated complaints E. Brennan in the Criminal De-Unit, which produced an unpublished report criticizing the way police investigated complaints against them of assault, is to be brought under tighter control. valuable research has conflicted with accepted orthodoxies and The unit is expected to lose so many social scientists that its character will be altered.

A decision on its future is

due to be announced soon amid fears that the unit will never in police or by redeploying re-sources into any of their tradiagain be able to produce such an independent report.

The report, details of which were disclosed in The Times on tional methods.

Views expressed privately by certain policemen are rebutted by findings that ethnic minori-ties as a whole are not dispro-portionately involved in crime,

April 8, said that some investi-gations by the police of com-plaints against officers were more concerned with establishing the criminal guilt or untrustworthiness of the complainant than with attempting to discover what happened.

to discover what happened.

Angered by the report, the Police Federation claimed that it breached an undertaking given by Mr Wilfred Hyde, a senior civil servant now an assistant secretary in the Cabinet Office secretariat. He wrote from the Home Office to the federation in July 1978: The research is not intended to examine the complaints pro-

It is expected that the 45 social scientists in the unit will be reduced to a core of 15 or 16, while others will be assigned to work under the wing of those parts of the Rome Office deal-ing with, say, police or race

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Numbers in the unit will be topped up with people from the Scientific Advisory Branch of the Home Office and its Crime Policy Planning Unit, Part of the duty of the Scientific Advisory visory Branch has been opera-tional research connected with home defence, the fire service and the police national com-puter. The Crime Policy Plan-ning Unit is more closely inte-grated with the Home Office's administration.
Details which have emerged

far suggest that the unit will

Long-term peace plan agreed for Lebanon

> From Robert Fisk, Beirut, June 8

Arab foreign ministers meet-ing at Beit Eddine were believed to have drawn up con-crete proposals this afternoon for a long-term ceasefire in

The plan, which would disengage Syrian troops and Phalangist militiamen on three fronts—in Beirut, around the town of Zahle and on the Sannine Heigts—above the capital—would involve the use of Lebanese regular soldiers who would act as peace keepers in a buffer zone between the

Today's meeting at the summer palace in the moun-tains south-east of Beirut came after extensive meetings yes-terday between the foreign ministers of Syria. Saudi Arabia and Kuwait with left-

wing and right-wing political leaders in Beirut.

The optimism of Mr Pierre Genavel, the Phalangist leader, and the fact that he sat next to the Syrian minister at the Baabda presidential palace—
the two men have never talked so confidently before—suggests that some hope can be entertained for the truce...

However, the Phalangists are unlikely to have conceded the foreign ministers' request to break off relations with Israel and if a ceasefire is formally declared, it could still prove a very transitory one.

The Arab League Committee later announced that all parties in the Lebanese conflict

had agreed to a nationwide ceasefire (UPI reports from The statement went on to say

The statement went on to say that President Sarkis of Lebanon had briefed all parties to the conference of the "crisis which threatens Lebanon's unity

and sovereignty."

President Sarkis also told committee members about the difficulties that have faced other Arab efforts to resolve the Lebauese crisis, the statement said. ment said.



Sadler's Wells reunion: Merce Cunningham (centre) with two of his proteges, David Gordon and Valda Setterfield, now with the Pick Up Company, at Sadler's Wells, London.

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devises counter to royal day

The town of Clay Cross Derbyshire, famous for its rent rise rebellion against the Heath Government, was making plans vesterday to stage a republican day on July 29, the day of the royal wedding, as a result of a decision by the parish council.

Mr Clifford Fox, a member of the council and leader of the North East Derbyshire Council, said yesterday: "We are against all the money being spent on this royal wedding at a time when there are so many people unemployed. It will be the treasurer; and tailoavers." the ratepayers' and taxpayers

Mr Fox said the Prince of Wales "should have a quiet wedding, and go to a register office or church without all this fuss and waste of money No detailed plans for the republican day had been made but a rheatre group would be hired to show "the other side" of

"We hope the theatre players will show, for instance, how the monarchy affects us all and its effect on working class people; and we intend to show what it actually costs us all,", Mr Fox

There would be other enter tainments and food and drink-which will have to be paid for "-as well as attractions for the unemployed.

Mr Fox said unemployment in Clay Cross was 15 per cent and in North-east Derbyshire 9,000 people were without jobs. At the Clay Cross Miners' Welfare, officials expressed surprise at the council's decision, and remarked that they had no celebrations in mind to mark the day. "No one has men-tioned it yet", an official said. Clay Cross Parish Council re-belled against the 1972 Rousing Act and refused to charge higher rents. As a result 21 councillors were surcharged by the District Auditor and that drove 11 of them into bank-

Clay Cross | Haughey Ulster talks fail to excite voters

From Christopher Thomas in Dublin

Mr Charles Haughey's clear showing 123,500 out of work Mr Charles Haughey's clear failure to make Northern Ireland a significant issue in the Irish general election campaign may cost him dearly. Few people now doubt that Fianna Fail is going to lose ground on Thursday; the question is whether it can cling to a

In opposition parties have played their tactics cleverly. While Mr Haughey has been trying to sell his Anglo-Irish talks as the start of something big over Ulster, Fine Gael and the Labour Party have ignored the internal properties. the issue almost completely.

The latest opinion poll has proved them right. The Northern Ireland issue, great passion that it undoubtedly is, neverthat it undoubtedly is, never-theless comes a poor fifth in the nation's list of electoral

priorities.

The hunger strikers have demonstrably failed to capture the voters' imagination. The nine prisoners, eight men at the Maze and a woman at Armagh, who are candidates, seem to be in for a drubbing. They get less than 0.5 per cent of first preference votes in the of first preference votes in the

The poll, conducted for the Irish Independent by the Market Research Bureau of employment—running at more than 10 per cent—is the electorate's prime concern. Then come inflation, crime and vandalism. There was little comfort in the latest jobless figures published yesterday,

earlier months.

Young people show the man concern over Northern Ireland, according to the poll. Two thirds of the 18-24 age group think the North is a "quite or very important" issue. That the poll however tends not the poll of the poll o yery important issue. That group, however, tends not to yote in heavy numbers, another factor to add to the gloom of the national H-block committee.

Mr Haughey can hardly be much more cheerful. He seems to be trying to switch tactics in midstream, combining a defence of his economic policies with an increasingly virulent attack on the possibility of an other Fine Gael-Labour Party coalition, which lost office in the 1977 general election.

The poll puts Fianna Fail behind the combined forces of the two opposition parties, which despite some public testiness during the campaign would doubtless form a coalition government if necessary.

The first preference votes, the poll says, would be divided thus: Fianna Fail 45 per cent; Fine Gael 38 per cent, Labour 11 per cent, others 6 per cent. Subsequent transferred votes make a prediction about seas difficult, but campaign mangers work on the principle that the party getting 47 to 48 per cent of first preference votes will normally gain power. The escalation of the Maze hunger strike was ignored by the main parties yesterday,

Ripper to appeal

From Our Correspondent, Leeds

Peter Sutcliffe, the Yorkshire sel Mr Javies Chadwin QC, and Ripper, yesterday confirmed Mr Sydnev Levine.

that he had instructed his His legal representatives have lawyers to lodge an appeal not yet made a decision on the against his convictions for murages. They have until June der. It is understood that his 19, when the 28-day appeal deadwife, Sonia aged 30, is backing line runs out, to lodge the his plea that he did not know papers with the appeal court.

killed 13 women.

The official appeal papers sticking to his plea that he was have been signed by Mr suffering from diminished.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

His Majesty King Khalid of Saudi Arabia arrives for a state visit to the United Kingdom and is met by the Queen and other is met by the Queen and other members of the Royal Family. Victoria Station, 12,30 pm, followed by a carriage procession to Buckingham Palace. The Queen attends a preview of the Festival of Flowers, Westminster Abbey, 3.15 pm, and attenda a state Khalid, Buckingham Palace, 8.30 pm.

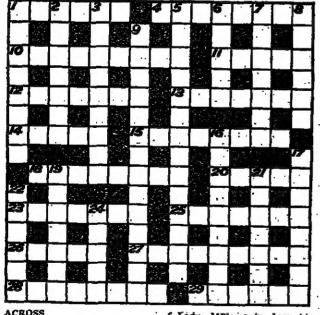
The Duke of Edioburgh addresses annual general meeting of the Antiquarian Book Fair, Europa Hotel, Grosvenor Square, 11 am. nembers of the Royal Family, Victoria Station, 12.30 pm, followed by a carriage procession to Buckingham Palace. The Queen attends a preview of the Festival

Queen Elizabeth Foundation for the Disabled, Goldsmiths' Hall, 2.30 pm.

Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother opens Joe Coral Oncooley Unit, University College Hospital, 3.30 pm.
The Duke and Duchess of

The Times Crossword No. 15,547

This puzzle, used at the Bristol regional final of the LANGS



1 Tied up? 'ow irritating that was (6).
4 Key pages are not shortly to

they appear contradictory (9).

11 End of assault involved ruin

15 Disorder she'd live to make up for (8).

18 This cop finds solution before onset of disturbance (8).

20 Cycle to sell, say (5).

21 Flourishing our laurels from this (3, 4).

25 Ophdian windpipe? (7).

26 French star gens goal in rugby (5).

27 Life meant a struggle for Darwin (9). Life meant a struggle for-Darwin (9).

28 Fossil found by tribesman

1 Have a crafty sip on rim change of fuel (7).

3 Lands richly provided with fish under the Spanish (9). S Hasten, captain, on board for a public appointment (14).

8 Bike that best 'em soundly 9 Tractarianism suggests bags

(9).

11 End of assault involved run
of Italian city (5).

12 It's hell to find a number
hy deduction (7).

13 Marvellous old play ... (7).
14 ... I'd say, with sexinterest (\$).

15 Disorder she'd live to make
up for (8).

16 Wutthy
(9).

17 To have everything in place
is intelligent (3, 5).

19 Where the wretched slave
slept, said Henry V before
Agincourt (7).

21 Stamps no name when
closed for business (4, 3).

One Red secret police chief



Massed bands display and beating retreat by regiments of the Queen's Division, Horse Guards Parade Whitehall, 6.30 pm.

Talks, lectures

will be closed from 5.30 pm while restriction in other roads including Birdcage Walk, The Mall and Marlborough road will take effect from 6 pm and last about two hours.

Women in Theatre with Fidells Morgan, Julie Holledge, Micheline Wander, ICA, The Mall, 7.30 pm. Hogarth's portraits by Angela Cox, National Portrait Gallery,

1 pm.
150th Anniversary of Sarah
Siddons' death: readings and
piano recital by Daphne Slater, St
Mary's Church, Paddington Green, 8 pm.
The Revd Lord Soper, Blooms-bury Centre Raptist Church, Shafesbury Avenue, 1.15 pm.

Exhibitions
Dr John Colley, Keeper of the National Railway Museum, York, opens-Museum illustrating bicentenary of George Stephenson (1781-1981), Falcon Centre, Falcon Terrace, Wylam, 11 am.
Royal Weddings Exhibition, Public Record Office Museum, Chancery Lane, 1 pm to 4 pm.
Railways and Glass, Townelye Hall Art Gallery and Museums, Burgley, Lancs, 10 am to 5.30 pm.
Festival of Fuchsias and Geraniums, Clapton, Crewkerne, Somerser, 10 am to 5 pm.

Best wine buys

After blind tastings the follow After blind tastings the following wines are recommended; Sarvignons: Sterling Vineyards 1979 Sarvignon Bianc, The Winery, Clifton Rd, W9, £4.95; Sarvignon de Touraine 1979 Curée Prestige. Oddblus, £2.64; Poully Fumé 1980 Aimé Boucher, Oddbins £3.94; Poully Fumé 1978 Almé Boucher, Peter Dominic, £4.85; Saucerre, 1978 Brochard, Peter Dominic, £5.09 (Which? Wine Monthly, June.) Pink champagnes: Bollinger. 1975 Extra, £14.50; Pol Roger 1973 Cuvée de Reserve, £10.50 (Dacanter, June).

French A.C. methode ponoise: Alderic B', T Cuvée Brut, Laytons, Colombe Cathare 1977, Sunday Times Wine Club, Bouvet-Ladubay Crémant 1977, Les Amis du Vin, £4.10.; Crémant d'Alsace Producteur, Benbow and Pape, £4.75; Gratien & Meyer Saumur Soleil, Richard Harvey Wines, £3.50 (Decanter, June).

Parliament

Commons (2.30): Employment and Training Bill, remaining stages. Education (Scotland) Bill, third reading. Lords (2.30): Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill, third reading. Forestry Bill, report.

Roads

London and the South East: Because of a state visit by King of Saudi Arabia, parking in a large member of streets in the of Saudi Arabia, parking in a large number of streets in the Westminster and Victoria areas of central London will be prohibited from 8 am today with many other roads being closed between 11,30 am and 2 pm. These include Victoria street, Parliament Square, Whitehall, The Mall, Constitution Hill and the adjoining streets. Special arrangements have been made to deal with the large crowds expected to watch a display by the Queens Division on Horse Guards Parade, this evening. Horse Guards Approach road

Bus diversions

Twenty-nine London bus routes of Saudi Arabia arrives at victoria station and drives in procession to Buckingham Palace at the start of his State Visit: Bus routes affected are: 2, 28, 3. 10, 11, 12, 16, 24, 25, 29, 36, 36B, 28, 39, 52, 53, 55, 70, 76, 77, 77A, 88, 149, 159, 170, 172, 185, and Red Arrow 500 and cor

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witzerland Fr	4.27	4.05
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Stock markets

New York: The Dow Jones industrial average closed up 1.67 points at \$995.46 after retreating Tokyo : The United States dollar

gained further ground against the yen and closed at 228.20 yen, com-pared, with Friday's finish of 227.05 yen, Southeast Asian banks were active in buying dollars. were active in buying dollars. Hongkong: The market slid below 1,700 again on some profit taking by small: private investors in moderate trading. The Hang Seng index was down 18-31 points at 1,597.70. Johannesburg: Gold thares were lower, reflecting the fall in bullion prices. Trading generally was very quick. London gold afternoon \$473.50, up \$13.50. London silver spot 534.50 pence, up 11.80 pence from the fixing. The FT ludex closed 1.5 up at

Sporting fixtures

Cricket: County championship
(all 11.0 to 5.30 or 6.0): Derbyshire v Warwickshire, at Derby:
Glamorgan v Surrey, at Swansea;
Gloucestershire v Yorkshire, at
Bristol; Middlesex v Somerser, at
Lord's; Northamptonshire v Kent.

Essex, at Worcester. Other matches: Cambridge University v Nottinghamshire, at Cambridge; Oxford University v MCC, at Ox-

Weymouth.

Motor cycling: Isle of Man TT.
Racing: meetings at Lingfield
Park Great Yarmouth and Hamilton Park.

The papers

Labour Party should go ahead and elect its own leader, whatever the

Two of the leading regional papers comment today on the Warrington by election. Both The Northern Echo and The Birmingham Post think that the best Mr Roy Jenkins, the Ilkely SPD caudidate, can hope is to come in a good second. If he does, says the Echo, he'll help the new party on its way. The Post says the SFD had no choice but to put up a first class candidate. The Morning Telegraph, urges the West to unite against the threat of Soviet intervention in Poland, its stronger card—the spectre of a bankrupt Poland.

Abroad, the Washington Post yesterday gave much prominence to the latest grave developments in the Polish crisis, and the New York Times was critical about

York Times was critical about President Reagan's tax Bill. And in Route, Stampa Sera looked at what is called." the dollar's mad

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ford.
Teamis: Stella Artois tournament, at Queen's Club, West Kensington: Surbiton tournament.
Yachting: Olympic Week, at

By disregarding the unions the Government will be to blame for what may well be a summer of discontent, says the Daily Mirror today. The Sun looks at the Labour party's own problems and congratulates Mr Calleghanon his declaration that the Patingeners.

CV top twenty

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15 That's Carry On
16 World Cup Grandstand
17 Sale of the Century
18 Nine O'Clock News
(May 28)
19 A Short Walk to
Daylight
20 Coronation Street
(May 25) 11.05 11.00 That's Life

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Pollen count

Police count: 1 (very low). Forecast: First marter: 12.33 pm

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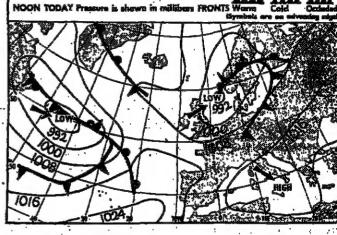
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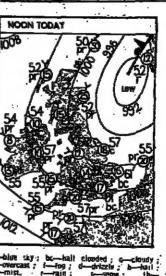
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